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NOTICE.

THE SEVENTIETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Subscribers to the above Fund will be held in the Town Hall on SATURDAY, the 25th January, 1908, at 3 p. m., (1) to receive the Report of the Directors; (2) to lay before the Meeting the Books of the Fund together with an abstract statement of the accounts, and a List of Subscribers and incumbents, in accordance with Fund Rule 58; (3) to fill by election, under Rule 5, the three vacancies caused by the retirement by rotation of three Directors; and (4) to elect Auditors for the ensuing year, as required by Rule 8.

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By Order of Directors,
RIVERS HOWE,
Secretary.

CALCUTTA, the 23rd December, 1907.

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High Court Suit No. 319 of 1900.

Mahomed Haji Esmail and others.....Plaintiffs
vs.
Khatizabai and others.....Defendants.

Under instructions from R. D. Sethna, Esq., the Receiver appointed in the above suit, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., will, on WEDNESDAY, 8th day of January, 1908, sell by Public Auction, on the premises, the following immovable properties at the respective times below mentioned.

LOT NO. 1 AT 4-30 P.M. (S. T.)

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On the East by the Memonwada Road, on the West by the sweeper's passage, on the North by the property of Haji Isaac Cassum and on the South by the property of Hasham Ajum.

LOT NO. 2 AT 5 P. M. (S. T.)

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LOT NO. 3 AT 5-30 P. M. (S. T.)

All that piece or parcel of Fazandari vacant land or ground situate lying and being at Memonwada Road, on the East side thereof, outside the Fort, in the City and Registration District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 22 feet in breadth and 50 feet in length or thereabouts and assessed by the Collector of Assessment under Street No. 73-77 and Ward No. 562 (2) and bounded on the East by the Bhajipala Road, on the West by the Memonwada Road, on the North by the property of Bachubai, widow of Nathoo Deoji, and on the South by the property of Ismail Ahmed Munshi.

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All that piece or parcel of land situate at Memanwada Street or Gowli Mohlola, B. Ward No 633, Street No. 69 71 admeasuring in length by 50 feet and in breadth 17 feet standing in the name of Ismail Ahmed Munshi, and bounded on the east by the public passage, on the West by public Road, on the north by the house No. 73-75, and on the south by house No. 61-67.

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AUCTION SALE of Valuable Landed Property, at Duncan Road.

Messrs. BENNETT and Co., will, on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd day of January, 1908, at 5 p.m. (S. T.), sell by Public Auction, on the premises by order of the Mortgagees and on account and at the risk of the Mortgager Mr. Abdool Husein Ibrahimjee Tambuwalla the undermentioned property under the power of sale reserved to the Mortgagees by an Indenture of Mortgage, dated the 25th day of October, 1892, and further charges respectively, dated the 23rd day of December, 1896, the 28th day of June, 1897, and the 15th day of August, 1901.

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Lot B.—Will comprise 741 square yards or thereabouts and will be bounded as follows :—That is to say on the north by lot C, on the east by the Duncan Road, on the south by lot A, and on the west by the Ropeworks of Tulsidas Narondas.

Lot C.—Will comprise 881 square yards or thereabouts, and will be bounded as follows :—That is to say on the North by the property of Tulsidas Narondas, on the east by the Duncan Road, on the south by lot B and on the west by the Ropeworks of Tulsidas Narondas.

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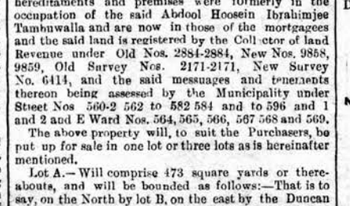

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2 Cases Sov ...	65,250	Jeddah	Mozaffari	H A A Reza

BOMBAY MARKETS.

TUESDAY EVENING.] [24TH DECEMBER, 1907.

COTTON.

Market Report:–

The Market opened easier with price Re. 1 to Rs. 2 lower. There has been little doing during the day, the enquiry having been limited. We quote as under.

The market is closed to-morrow and on Thursday for the Christmas Holidays.

QUOTATIONS:—

		Rs.	Delivery.
Fine M. G. Broach	...	274	March 08
Good M. G. Broach	...	266	"
Fine M. G. Nagpur Kamptis		233	Jan. 08
Fine M. G. Damangaum Pulgaon		227	"
Fine M. G. Khangaum Akola		219/20	"
Fine M. G. Ammoti	...	219	"
Fine M. G. Muttia	...	204/5	"
F. G. M. G. Khandeish	...	200	"
Fine M. G. Khandeish	...	205	"
Fine M. G. Bengals	...	199	"
Fine. M. G. Bengals	...	202/3	March 08.
F. G. H G Bengals	...	192	Jan. 08.
Good Westerns	...	240/1	Apl-May
Good Saw Ginned Dharwar		252	"

Liverpool Opener:–

Opening Tone...	...	... Quiet.
Estimated Sales	...	... 6,000 bales.
Total Imports	...	... 44.000 "

Future Delivery Price:–

D.-J.	J.-F.	F.-M.	M.-A.	A.-M.
5·62 —04	5·63 —04	5·64 —04	5·64 —05	5·66 —04
M.-J.	J.-J.	J.-A.	A.-S.	
5·66 —04	5·66 —04	5·63 —03	5·55 —03	

MISCELLANEOUS.

Linseed:–
The market is firm, but there is very little doing. We quote:—

Ready	... Rs.	7 15 0
April-May	... "	8 9 0

The market is firm with a fair enquiry. We quote:—

Brown Cawnpore	... Rs.	9 6 0
Yellow Guzerat	... "	10 3 0

Gingellyseed:–
The market is steady but the demand is limited. We quote:—

Bold White, 85 p.c.	... Rs.	62 8 0
" " 75 p.c.	... "	61 0 0
Black Kutni	... "	55 0 0
White Havre	... "	62 0 0
Yellow Hingaughat	... "	65 0 0

Poppyseed:–

Ready	... Rs.	12 0 0
April-May	... "	11 3 0

Tone—Quiet.

Castorseed:–

Ready	... Rs.	34 0 0
April-May	... Rs.	35 0 0

Tone—steady.

Cottonseed:–
Rs. 23 8 0
Tone—Quiet.

Mowraseed:–
Rs. 5 6 0
Tone—Steady.

GROUNDNUTS:–
Rs. 47 0 0
Tone—Quiet.

Wheat:–
White Delhi Ap.-May. ... Rs. 6 2 0
Tone—Firm.

RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Cotton and Produce into Bombay during the 48 hours ended at 6 p.m. yesterday:—

Cotton	...	26,632 bales
Wheat	...	32,755 cwts
Linseed	...	132 "
Rapeseed	...	36 "
Gingellyseed	...	10,685 "
Poppyseed	...	nil "
Groundnuts	...	553 "
Castorseed	...	1,712 "
Rice	...	62,225 "
Myrabollams	...	4,664 "
Cottonseed	...	7,841 "
Mowrasced	...	314 "
Gram	...	9,560 "
Joowar	...	144 "
Maize	...	61 "

BANK OF BOMBAY.

The following is the statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bombay, for the week ending 21st Dec, 1907, as compared with the statement of 7th Dec. 1907 :—

LIABILITIES.	Dec 7. Rs.	Nov. 21. Rs.
Capital	1,00,00,000	1,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	90,00,000	90,00,000
Public Deposits at Head Office	41,84,985	40,61,311
Public Deposits at Branches	91,11,189	56,10,381
Other Deposits	8,30,30,208	7,94,98,820
Post Bills	14,756	14,756
Sundries	26,28,802	27,98,969
	11,43,84,965	11,13,99,047
ASSETS.	Rs..	
Government Securities	1,24,25,124	1,22,84,916
Other authorised Securities	26,46,875	24,01,338
Credits on Govt. and other authorised Securities	1,15,35,083	1,33,09,506
Loans do. do. do.	1,71,24,288	1,39,74,609
Bills discounted and purchased	2,88,70,054	2,85,31,101
Dead Stock	3,32,728	3,29,728
Stamps	3,551	3,484
Bullion	4,72,900	4,61,758
Balances with other Banks	20,78,832	12,91,388
Sundries	3,00,241	3,49,617
Cash	3,85,95,697	3,25,47,423
	11,43,84,965	11,13,99,047

BANK OF BENGAL.

THE following is the statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bengal for the week ending 10 Dec. 1907, as compared with the statement of 17th Dec. 1907 :—

LIABILITIES.	Dec. 10. Rs. a. p.	Dec. 17. Rs. a. p.
Capital paid up	2,00,00,000 0 0	2,00,00,000 0 0
Reserve Fund	1,55,00,000 0 0	1,55,00,000 0 0
Public Deposits, &c	2,05,82,369 5 8	1,49,87,612 12 2
Other Deposits, &c.	163,576,880 12 7	16,34,68,770 13 4
Bank Post Bills, &c	9,83,804 11 11	11,12,152 13 11
Sundrie	20,13,207 3 2	20,20,115 15 2
Rs.	22,26,37,462 1 4	21,70,98,652 6 7
ASSETS.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Government Securities	1,85,2·,257 0 0	2,18,43,053 0 0
Other authorised Investments	41,23,076 8 0	41,17,455 14 0
Loans on Govt. and other authorised Securities	3,98,58,772 4 3	4,02,01,416 5 2
Accounts of Credit on	4,20,10,864 3 11	4,34,54,110 10 3
Bills discounted &c	3,77,32,618 9 6	3,80,86,120 6 10
Balances with other Banks	17,23,431 8 2	14,39,959 4 5
Bullions		
Dead Stock	17,42,658 6 7	17,46,.05 4 0
Stamps	15,540 15 11	15,925 3 9
Sundries	1,48,285 10 6	1,49,443 2 9
	14,52,45,505 4 10	15,00,70,689 3 2
Cash, &c., at Head Office ..	7,73,91,956 12 6	6,70,27,963 9 5
Do. at Branches ..		
Rs.	22,26,37,462 1 4	21,70,98,652 6 7

LIABILITIES.	Rs.	
Govt. Balance at Head Office	16,26,929	Decrease
Do. at Branches ..	39,47,827	Do.
Other Deposits ..	1,06,310	Do.
Post Bills ..	1,38,348	Increase
ASSETS.		
Bank's Investments ..	23,41,175	Increase
Loans ..	15,42,044	Do.
Accounts of Credit ..	4,43,246	Do.
Mercantile Bills ..	3,53,502	Do.
Cash at Head Office ..	20,31,440	Decrease
Do. at Branches ..	23,32,554	Do.

KARACHI FREIGHT MARKET.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, DECEMBER 24.

Freights.—The market remains in the same deplorable condition as last week. Practically no business is passing. The prospects of rain are unchanged. The Hansa Line Hamburg, January, 2,000 tons at 11s. 6d. "Othello," a relet was given for Hull of 200 tons at 12s. 6d.

"THE GREATEST MIRACLE."

The article appearing in a previous issue referring to the venerable Swami Dharmananda Mahavaratee's endorsement of Doan's Backache Kidney Pills for the cure of various complaints caused by kidney disorders was investigated at 23/1, Sitaram Ghose's Street, Calcutta, where he resides. When asked if it was true that he had given Doan's Backache Kidney Pills the name of "The Greatest Miracle," he said :—

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OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

KER—December 16, at Lahore, the wife of Lieut-Col M A Ker I M S, of a daughter.
VENABLES—December 12, at Gaya, Bengal, the wife of A V Venables, East Indian Railway, of a daughter.

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Christmas Day, general holiday: Banks closed.

Skating Rink, Esplanade, 9-30 p.m.

Excelsior Cinematograph, Esplanade, 7 p.m., 8-30 p.m. and 10 p.m.

The Empire Cinematograph, Framji Cowasji Hall, 7 p.m., 8-30 p.m., and 10 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Sun rises, 7h. 9m. Sun sets, 6h. 9m. High water, 2-57m., 3-6a. Low water, 9-26m., 8-39a.

Banks closed: Christmas holidays.

Indian National Congress at Surat.

Skating Rink, Esplande.

Excelsior Cinematograph, Esplanade.

The Empire Cinematograph, Framji Cowasji Hall.

PHASES OF THE MOON.—Dec. 28th, Last Quarter, 4h 40-5m. a.m.

THE WEEK'S CALENDAR.

Friday, December 27.—Indian National Congress at Surat. P. and O. steamer Peninsular, with English. Mails of 24th inst. due to arrive at 2 p.m. Sun rises, 7h. 9m., Sun sets, 6h. 9m. High water, 3-32m., 4-1a. Low water, 10-19m., 9-26a.

Saturday, December 28.—Indian National Congress at Surat. Royal Bombay Yacht Club Races. Sun rises, 7h. 10m. Sun sets, 6h. 10m. High water, 4-15m., 5-10a. Low water, 11-24m. 10-48a.

Sunday, December 29.—1st Sunday after Christmas. Sun rises, 7h. 10m., Sun sets, 6h. 10m. High water, 5-10m., 5-45a.; Low water. 0-39a.

Monday, December 30.—Third Indian Industrial Conference at Surat. Sun rises, 7h. 11m. Sun sets, 6h. 11m. High water 6-21m, 8 Sa. Low water, 0-31m., 1-32a.

Tuesday, December 31.—New Year Eve: Bank holiday. Sun rises, 7h. 11m. Sun sets, 6h. 11m. High water, 7h. 32m., 9-10a. Low water, 1-53m., 2-19a.

DEPARTURE OF A NATIVE CHIEF.—The Raja of Savantwadi left Bombay for Dhar on the 21st instant and intends returning again to Bombay before going to Savantwadi.

DEATH FROM STARVATION.—About 10 a. m. on Monday last, the body of a Mahomedan mendicant, aged 35 years, was found lying on the road in Bapu Hajam Moholla. The death was due to starvation.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Singapore, China and Japan per extra s. s. "Kagoshima Maru" will be closed at the General Post Office at 11 a. m. on Saturday, the 28th inst. Parcel mail for Japan closes at 10 a. m. the same day.

FIRE AT BORI BUNDER.—On Monday night at about 11 o'clock a fire broke out in the ticket office on the first floor of the G. I. P. Railway Victoria Terminus Station. Fire engines arrived on the spot, but before any serious damage could be done the fire was extinguished.

DROWNED IN BABULA TANK.—An inquest was held yesterday at the Morgue on the body of a Hindu, name unknown, aged 45 years. The jury recorded a verdict that the body was found floating in the Babula Tank, but under what circumstances the deceased came by his death there was no evidence to show.

MISSING LAD.—Caroline De Souza residing on Dadysett Hill off Gowalia Tank Road has reported to the Police that her grandson John D. Fernandez, aged 15 year, left her house on the 16th instant saying he was going to Goa, but she learnt yesterday that he had not gone to Goa and thinks he must be knocking about Bombay.

SUICIDE OF A HINDU WOMAN.—One Gungabai, aged 25 years, who resided with her husband at Girgaon Road, was on Monday last found floating in a well off Girgaon Road. From enquiries made it was learnt that she had been ailing for some months. An inquest was held, when a verdict of suicide by drowning herself in a well while insane was recorded.

OVERDOSE OF OPIUM.—Yesterday at the Sir J. J. Hospital, Mr E. T. Lambert, Deputy Coroner, held an inquest relative to the death of Laxmibai, a Hindu woman, aged 30. The deceased, who was residing with her husband Nilu at Dongri, was suffering from diarrhœa and was in the habit of taking opium. She took an overdose and died within one hour of her admission to the hospital. The jury returned a verdict that she died of an overdose of opium.

SIR CURRIMBHOY'S MUNIFICENT GIFT.—The following resolution passed by the Bengal Mahomedan Association of Calcutta has been communicated to Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim by Mr. A. Rasul, Secretary of the Association:—"That the Association places on record its sense of appreciation of the services rendered to the community by Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim and his daughter Bai Khamumbai by founding a Technical and Commercial Institute at the cost of three lakhs of rupees and tender their thanks to the generous

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WEDNESDAY, DEC. 25, 1907.

SANTA CLAUS.

It is to-day that children's thoughts all turn to Santa Claus, but his feast took place a fortnight ago on December 6, the day of St Nicholas, Bishop of Myra. Any well trained, imperially minded child would scorn the idea that Santa Claus was not wholly British; and yet he is not. As a Christian visitor he is American, although he owes his existence to the Dutch. The early Dutch settlers in New York took with them the custom of making presents on St Nicholas' Day, Santa Claus being called in to act the part of generous visitor. The custom spread to the English-speaking Americans who transferred the good Saint to Christmas day and somewhere between Continental fairy-tale books and accounts from America, England found the most genial Saint in the Calendar. As the patron saint of children St. Nicholas is commonly represented with a tub by his side containing three naked children. These children, according to the legend, had been killed and salted like pork by an innkeeper. The saint having miraculous knowledge of this, called at the inn and ordered the tub to be brought to him. Immediately this was done the children arose, rosy and well. According to a German Catholic writer it was not only this legend but also the fact that the feast of the saint falls near the winter solstice which has caused him to be regarded as the patron of festivity and mirth among the northern Teutonic races. His usual representation as an old man with a long white beard, according to the same authority, is taken directly from the pre-Christian type of Woden. Unfortunately little is known of Nicholas. It is, however, known that he lived about 300 A. D. and that from an early date he was very popular with the Christians of the East and is, in fact, the Patron Saint of Russia. His popularity in the West may be said to have been inaugurated by certain merchants of Bari, in the kingdom of Naples, who apparently combined piracy with more legitimate modes of trading. These marauders made a descent on Myra, which was situated near the coast, carried off the body of the saint, and placed it, with great honour, in the church of their own town (A.D. 1087). From Bari the fame of St. Nicholas quickly spread all over Western Europe, and he became the patron of sailors, children, and, it is alleged, also of thieves. St. Nicholas' clerks in Shakespeare are highwaymen, of course; an Old Nick was originally the St Nicholas of thieves, not the Devil. Sir Edward Clarke has told us that Santa Claus will be a criminal under the "Prevention of Corruption Act," but fortunately for little Anglo-Indian children that law does not count out here.

THE AUNDH COMMISSION. The report of the Aundh Commission, which concluded its sittings in May last was distributed yesterday and it is duly set forth that the plot, in which the Aundh Chief was accused of being implicated, exhibited folly and rashness rather than a blood-thirsty determination and was perhaps less the offspring of the Chief himself than of his unscrupulous advisers. The Commission, with the Hon'ble Mr. Logan, as its president, was appointed to inquire into the truth of certain imputations against Meherban Gopan Khrishnarao Parashramrao, Pant Pratinidhi of Aundh, to the effect that he instigated one Pirya Lakshuman, a Mang, to commit a dacoity at the house of the State Karbhari, Mr. Jacob Bapuji Israel, and murder him and that in pursuance of this plot he caused the escape of Pirya from the Aundh jail and subsequently incited him, both openly and directly to carry out the project. The events which led up to the appointment of the Commission are briefly told. Six years ago Shrinivasrao, grandfather of the present Pant, died and Mr. Isrgel, then Chitnis to the Collector of Satara, was appointed to be the Karbari of Dada Sahib Shrinivasrao's son who succeeded him in 1902. Dada Sahib died in 1905 when Gopalrao, the present Chief, commonly known as Nana Sahib, claimed the gadi. For a variety of reasons, but principally on account of Nana Sahib's extravagant habits and his wish to take an active part in the administration of the State during his father's lifetime. Nana Sahib's relations with the Karbhari had been far from cordial. The Karbhari, Mr. Jacob, admitted that Nana Sahib was the rightful heir, but sent in a confidential report to the Political Agent commenting on his moral fitness to rule. A passage from this report is given, which says: "Owing to certain unfortunate circumstances connected with his mother's associations he (Nana Sahib) has been weaned from education very early, the result being that though he knows Marathi well, his knowledge of English is very limited and he has no experience. Besides owing to the wild habits of his mother he has been a neglected boy and has thus acquired a habit of constant association with harlots and such others and habits of occasional indulging in noxious drugs, etc., and is consequently much embarrassed pecuniarily." Mr. Jacob did not urge that Nana Sahib be superseded but that an experienced officer from the British service should be appointed as his Karkbari and that all matters of difference between them should be referred to the Political Agent. Nana Sahib was required to give an undertaking that for five years he would appoint no Karbhari without the Political Agent's approval and not change him without the Political Agent's sanction.

Unpleasantness between the Chief and the Karbari began at once. The Chief publicly ignored the Karbhari and when it was suggested that certain prisoners should be liberated in honour of the Chief's accession, the Chief sought to release two who were not recommended, Pirya Lakshman, a convicted dacoit, and Bhaskar Purohit, who had misappropriated property belonging to the late Chief. Buaskar was made a warder and thus Pirya escaped. A plot was suspected and subsequently Pirya made a confession to the effect that the Karbhari's house was to be attacked and the Karbhari himself murdered. The grounds for the Chief's animosity against Mr. Jacob were: his refusal of Nana Saheb's request to attach certain property in the possession of relatives, his refusal to consult Nana Sahib in State matters during Dada Sahib's rule, his refusal to gratify Nana Sahib's desire of dismissing the old tate servants in favour of his own nominees, the refusal of Dada Saheb, acting on Mr. Jacob's advice to increase Nana Saheb's allowance, personal rebuke administered by Mr. Jacob to Nana Saheb for the dissoluteness of his conduct and the confidential letter concerning the appointment of Karbhari, to which reference has just been made. As to the plot itself the commission, in its report, tests the evidence which was adduced. Pirya, the Commissioners regarded as a desperate criminal and outlaw and "a more fitting instrument for a dark crime could hardly have been found. Nevertheless and notwithstanding all he and others deposed the Commission, rightly we think, after a perusal of the papers, came to the conclusion that although the Chief plotted against the Karbhari he did not plot in a spirit of revenge for past injuries." The fact that in April when it was not yet certain that Pirya would do nothing, he wrote to the Political Agent for the removal of Mr. Jacob—"an act which would have baulked him of any bloody vengeance," would disprove such a view. The plot itself, the Commissioners find "was a somewhat lame one for any such purpose, for it aimed in a round about and very uncertain way at what might have been attained easily enough by assassination when the Karbhari was on tour or otherwise unguarded. The uncertainty of the plan and the fact that from first to last the Chief only expended one rupee over the business . . . might almost justify the theory that the hief was merely affecting to do something in order to please somebody else." We do not suppose that Government will consider it necessary to give the Chief immediate and unrestricted powers in the administration of Aundh, for it cannot but be convinced that Nana Saheb is at least more fool than knave and not such a ruler as should have in his hands the destinies of the subjects of Aundh.

DEBEER'S INCOME TAX. The continued unfair treatment of the share holders of the DeBeers Company in charging double income tax, first in South Africa and afterwards in London, has resulted in the issuing of a circular outlining some important and far reaching changes in the institution of the Company, for which sanction will be asked at the forthcoming annual meeting. The chief proposals are to abolish the London office, except as a mere transfer agency, and with it, the London Board of Directors, and to centre the entire control of every phase of the Company's business and operations in the head office at Kimberley. In order to enable the new order of things to be carried into effect, and to make the status of the Company as a purely Colonial undertaking perfectly clear, various additions, omissions, and modifications are proposed to be made in the existing Articles of Association. The necessity for the action proposed to be taken has of course arisen in consequence of the decision of the English Court of Appeal in June, 1905, confirming the judgment of Mr. Justice Phillimore, declaring the entire profits of the DeBeers Company to be liable to assessment for English income tax purposes. There were two grounds on which the English Income Tax authorities based their claim. First, they alleged that the DeBeers Company was a Company resident in England within the meaning of the Act. Secondly, they alleged that it actually carried on its business within the United Kingdom. If either of these contentions could be established the Company was liable. As a matter of fact, the Court of Appeal endorsed Mr. Justice Phillimore's decision that both contentions were established, and thus the Company was doubly liable. The chief point of debate has always been the degree of authority and control actually exercised by the London Board. Under the present Articles of Association it is provided that "the head office of the Company shall be in Kimberley, in the Colony of the Cape of Good Hope, or at such other place in the said Colony, or such other country as the directors shall from time to time consider advisable, with such branch or branches elsewhere as the directors shall deem fit, or with such agent or agents in other places or countries as the directors may deem fit." The Master of the Rolls held that the terms of this article did not preclude the head office being in London, and that in fact, if not in name, it was in London. The head office in London, if it ever existed in fact, will now exist no longer. The circular to the English shareholders explains that the "directors in London have agreed to relinquish their powers entirely." This decision has been arrived at "with great reluctance," but "the pressure brought to bear from the Cape, where the Company are now taxed at the rate of 10 per cent. on their total profits for Colonial purposes, has been so persistent that the directors in England have been unable to resist the force of the arguments brought forward by their colleagues in South Africa."

A new article will now lay down definitely that the head office shall be in Cape Colony, while another article will enable an office to be kept in London to be called the London Transfer Office, in charge of an Assistant Secretary, to be called "The London Secretary." It is clear from the new provisions that the business of the company henceforward transacted in London will be of a purely routine character, and that it will be no longer possible to dispute the fact that the head office and seat of the operations of the Company are in Kimberley. There all contracts will be signed, sealed, and delivered, and all questions of policy discussed and decided, and there will be no longer a London board of any description. Thus apparently the ground will be cut completely under the feet of the Income Tax authorities in England, and according to competent legal opinion in England and South Africa, the DeBeers Company will be no longer liable to the double tax. The Company is to be congratulated on taking decisive steps to protect its shareholders from a grossly unjust imposition of an unjust tax. The action of the Board means that shareholders will benefit by considerably over three hundred thousand pounds a year. According to Mr. Justice Phillimore's decision the only duty of a limited liability company is to pay dividends. On such an argument Mr. Whitaker Wright should never have been convicted and the Beers Company is carrying out its duty to the letter.

A MUTINY EPISODE. We yesterday compared Jagonnath Sunkerset (1804-1865) to Rama Kamat (died 1728), both leading Hindu citizens of Bombay of their time and much in the confidence of the several Governments of their respective days. Rama, as is well known to all who have studied the history of our city in the past, had a very sad and altogether unmerited end. After nearly forty years of prosperity which he used for the benefit of his community by founding several temples which exist still, and also for that of the city at large he fell on evil days and evil tongues which wagged very glibly against him. We were in those days much at war with Kanoji Angria, the great pirate on the West Coast, who annoyed us continuously during the first quarter of the eighteenth century from his eyrie in Kolaba, the foot of Alibag in our close vicinity. The Angria was always on our brain then, and from the President and Governor down to the meanest inhabitant of this town every one was interested in keeping that truculent Chief and his sea-dogs from off this Island, Boone was then our Governor, an excellent administrator to whom Bombay owes much. But it seems that the Angria was too much on his brains and had upset his otherwise calm and careful judgment. Some persons envious of the prosperity and high position of Rama—he was put in 1718 in command of all the fighting sepoys against Angria, so much was he trusted by the high authorities—plotted against him and in 1720 secretly informed Boone that Rama had all along been in treasonable correspondence with the enemy and had engaged to betray this island one day to him with all its precious lives including of course Boone himself and his Council. These unscrupulous foes of Rama forged documents proving his guilt to the satisfaction of Boone, who having not a shadow of doubt about it applied the torture to poor Rama, who was brought to a mock trial and condemned. All his property was confiscated and himself imprisoned for life. A rich Bhandari, Dalba by name, also suffered as Rama's accomplice, and thus the conspiracy prevailed in its infarious aim of ruining a loyal citizen. After his death in 1728, the truth appeared that Rama had been innocent and that the evidence against him had all been forged and concocted. We hope Boone heard of this in his retirement in England; but we do no know what amends he made to Durga Kamat, the son of Rama, whom he had unwittingly ruined.

Our purpose, however, to-day is not to rake up this old story of judicial wrong, which we have given in its barest outlines in a few lines, but to show the curious fact, very little known, that Jagonnath Sunkerset rather narrowly escaped Rama Kamat's fate towards the close of his career. The Mutiny of 1857 was as every one knows a terrible crisis for us everywhere in India. It was an active crisis in many places in the north like Cawnpore and Lucknow and Delhi. To us in Bombay it was a crisis also, but only passive and therefore perhaps all the harder, to bear. The menace was hanging over us like Damocles' sword from May till September, always going to fall upon our devoted heads. Many of these heads lost themselves, and can hardly be blamed for doing so, looking to the terrible strain. But fortunately our Governor was exactly the man fit to cope with the crisis, calm, circumspect, judicious, and withal active and resolute. Lord Elphinstone was a different character from Boone. It was natural that the Mutiny crisis should be utilised by unscrupulous persons among the natives to lay false complaints secretly before the authorities, against prominent men among themselves to whom they bore a private grudge. Influential English men were found credulous enough to believe them, and they brought this to the notice of Lord Elphinstone. Fortunately in Charles Forjett, he had a Commissioner of Police with many of the same qualities as himself; and he consulted this intrepid officer about the matter. Jagonnath Sunkerset and two or three other very prominent natives had been pointed to as traitors by these unscrupulous "delatores." Forjett disbelieved them; but he enquired and found the whole story to be baseless. Forjett alludes to this matter in his rare book about "Our real danger," and we give in another column what he has to say about it which will we hope be highly interesting to our readers, as a curious episode of the Mutiny crisis in our city. Jagonnath Sunkerset lived for eight years after this, exactly like Rama Kamat, but that those eight years were not passed in disgrace and confinement like the latter's was chiefly owing to Charles Forjett, to whom he was duly grateful as he subscribed handsomely to the purse which was presented in his retirement just a year before Jagonnath's death.

H. M. S. "PERSEUS," Commander H. Christian, sailed yesterday for Karachi.

THE Florio and Rubattino Company's s. s. "Levanzo" left Singapore for Penang and Bombay on the 24th instant.

AN engagement is announced between Elsie Mathilde, eldest child of Herbert L. Wade, Esq., J. P., and Mrs. Wade of Knowle, Warwickshire, and Wildford Ward Bulkley, Assistant Engineer, Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway.

THE use of wigs by judges and barristers is, a correspondent of the "Morning Post" reminds us, not very ancient. "It was introduced, I imagine, towards the end of the seventeenth or at the beginning of the eighteenth century, when it had become the fashion at Court. Bishops continued to use wigs longer than their clergy, but they have discarded them, to their great advantage, for many years now. The ceremonial vesture at the Bar always used to be guided by that of the Church; why not this matter as in others?"

IT is stated that the Government intend to revise the system under which confidential reports are made out and rendered on Army Officers. There have been several cases recently in which officers reported upon have been dissatisfied and some inquiry is to be made concerning a possible change to a better system. Many officers suggest that confidential reports should be drawn up in committee. A proper chain of responsibility would thus be created and breadth of opinion would be ensured. At present this plan is often in use unofficially, where large bodies of troops are stationed together, commanding officers consulting other commanding officers and field officers before making out bad reports.

THE Berlin correspondent of the *Tribune* writes:—It appears evident that the results of the trials with turbine steamers in German waters have been not less surprising than has been the case elsewhere. It is stated on good authority that the German naval authorities will proceed immediately to erect their own turbine workshops in the principal Imperial dockyards, so as to enable them to be independent of private firms. The first workshop will be built at Kiel. It would seem probable, therefore, that the construction of turbine driven battleships is only a question of a short time. Besides the two turbine destroyers and two small cruisers now in commission, there are in course of construction one turbine destroyer, two small cruisers, and one firstclass armoured cruiser.

PLAYS AND PASTIMES.

PANTOMIME.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
LONDON, DECEMBER 6

It was a pretty daring experiment to introduce a four-scene play in pantomime into the programme of a West-End variety theatre. Mr. Alfred Butt of the Palace knew, when he imported the eminent Severin and his companions to produce a wordless play lasting from forty to fifty minutes that he was, to employ a bowler's phrase, chancing his arm.

As it happens, the experiment has turned out satisfactorily, and while it would not, one imagines, be in strict accordance with the snow-white truth to say that English audiences as a whole fully appreciate the absolute perfection of Severin's art, it is quite certain that the thrilling little play is followed with intense interest at the Palace.

"Conscience," however, is a play of sombre tone, and since, to fit the coming season of rejoicing, something in lighter vein would be more in keeping, it has been arranged that Severin; assisted by three others (including Mlle. Maya and our old friend Volbert), shall at Christmas-time appear in a two-scene wordless farcical comedy.

"THE LITTLE SOLDIER."

The simple story of the piece concerns itself with a small soldier of infantry, who, being in the country, with his sweetheart, is able to rescue from further injury a lady who has been set upon by well-dressed ruffians and thrown into a river. In the second scene the little soldier has, by way of recompense, been invited to the lady's house. His gaucherie and awkwardness amid unaccustomed luxury furnish the material for broadly comic acting.

"TWO FAMOUS CORSICANS."

M. Severin remarked this week upon the extraordinary likeness of the silent actor to the great Napoleon. Severin is a humorist, for, with a hearty laugh, he said, "Yes, that's it. Corsica has produced two really great men—me and Napoleon. But," he added, "although Corsican born, I learned what I know in Marseilles as a pupil of the eminent Rouffe, most accomplished of all who, as they say, have their art at their finger-tips. I am an actor sans paroles because it is to my taste, and also because I know when choosing this branch of art that there would be less competition. That was prosaicly business-like—wasn't it? On one occasion, however, I burned to speak a part, but I was discouraged by a well-known author, who wrote upon the back of a photograph of myself: 'Since there are so many who speak much and say nothing, thrice welcome is he who speaks not at all, yet expresses everything.' In miming, as in acting, the right temperament is essential, and, in addition, the physical attribute of mobile and expressive features is absolutely necessary. My reception in London is exceedingly gratifying."

MISS FANNY BROUGH'S APPEARANCE.

For Miss Fanny Brough's appearance at the Palace which takes place early in the coming year, a duologue has been chosen which, it is expected, will give the popular comedienne a great chance. The little piece has been written by a gentleman whose contributions to the entertainment of the public have so far consisted of several exceedingly interesting books. An actor to sustain the other end of the duologue will presently be engaged.

SOME ADMIRABLE BURLESQUE.

Of Mr Seymour Hicks not even his worst enemy can say that when he is handing out jokes at the expense of others he is careful to spare himself. There is proof of this impartiality in that screamingly funny show, "A Dress Rehearsal," which is at present one of the brightest and best features of the Tivoli programme. Because he knows that it has been said of him that he is not an utter stranger to the useful art of getting ideas from other people's entertainments, he calls himself "Stealmore Tricks," while his restless energy is most amusingly burlesqued both in speech and action. And yet, with all the fun of the thing, it is to be doubted whether the average man or woman knows how faithful and clever is, for instance, Mr. Lawrence Caird's caricature of Mr. Tree. Here is one of the real gems of the piece, yet besides the broader humours of Will Polnski, Harry Tate, and the others, it goes comparatively for nothing. The same may be said of Mr. Tom Grave's piece of lampooning as Hall Pain—both of these are remarkably clever studies, full of humorous observation and of the gift of genuine caricature, but the idiosyncrasies of the originals are not so familiar to the mass, and so the well-considered detail may sometimes escape general recognition. Before an audience of actors "A Dress Rehearsal" would play to shrieks of laughter, in fact, no funnier "pro. s show" has been seen for years. Tivoli audiences simply revel in Mr. Clensy's imitations of Lewis Waller, Martin Harvey, and half a dozen other pets of the public.

AS BUSY AS BEES.

With the preparations for the production of the Christmas spectacle "Honeyland" the stage director of the Hippodrome and his multitude of assistants are desperately busy. This show will, we are told, include such scenes as "The Jungle near the Drone's Home," "The Queen's Domain," "Flowerland," "The Land of the Golden Hive." In this last scene we are promised an entirely new effect, which, it is darkly hinted in awful whispers, must be for the present locked up in the managerial bosom.

R. C.

OUR MOSLEM SISTERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Kindly allow me, through the medium of your valuable journal, to answer "X," whose letter you published in your issue of the 20th instant. By the Christian attitude towards woman I did not mean Christ's attitude, but that of the Church or the fathers after him. If, however, the words "Woman, what have I to do with thee?" be his, which I very much doubt, he cannot be said to have much love or respect for his mother. Now mark the contrast. The Prophet lost his mother when he was a little child. When he attained to manhood he visited her tomb and bedewed it with his tears. The "unique position" which woman now holds in Europe is not due to Christianity, but to the chivalry of the Spanish Arabs, with whom they came in contact in the 8th century and from whom they learnt respect for woman. Christ asks, "Can men advance with their women in seclusion?" I say, yes, they can. The Athenians and Persians before Islam are cases in point. The Moslems, in spite of their harems, held the first place in the world for several centuries. They left their intellectual impress on Europe and wrote it indelibly on the heavens, as any one may see who reads the names of stars on a common celestial globe. This proves that seclusion of the women-folk does not stand in the way of advancement. Nor does non-seclusion necessarily make for progress. Why have not the Mahrattas or the Goanese, who do not observe purdah, advanced? The Parsis have advanced, not because they have abandoned the purdah system, but because they have been studious, industrious and have learnt English.

The purdah is not at all responsible for the present backwardness of the Moslems. It is entirely due to their want of general culture. In spite of many facilities, they do not acquire knowledge, though the Prophet has commanded them to seek for it, far and wide, even in "China." With shame I confess that a very large number of Indian Moslems do not know the Koran or the traditions, although they have been translated into simple Urdu.

Female education has been much neglected, though the Prophet has said: "He who educates his sisters or daughters teaches them good manners and gives them in marriage, shall go to heaven." Another genuine tradition says, "He who does not bury his daughter alive, nor despise her, nor prefer a son to her, God will cause him to enter his kingdom." A daughter should be treated like a son in all respects. See how the Prophet loved his daughter Fatima, our "Lady of Light." I exhort my Moslem brothers to open schools for their daughters. And if they do not like to send them to schools, let at least fathers teach their daughters, brothers their sisters, and husbands their wives. Let the education above all be of a religious, moral and practical nature, including hygiene and domestic economy.

On this point I am one with Christ and thank him for his kind advice. I cannot, however, agree with him about the total abandonment of the "purdah." Many men are the slaves of passion. Their imaginations are foul. Intellectually they stand high, morally they are low, wallowing in mire. They delight and glory in robbing a woman of her chastity. They commit adultery, as the Prophet says, with their eyes, or, as Christ puts it, "in their hearts." Until such characters become noble in their sentiments and pure in their hearts the "purdah," or at least a modified form of it, should continue to safeguard female chastity.—Yours, etc.

MAHOMED KHAN,
Poona, December 22.

THE MUTINY DINNER.

TEARS, CHEERS AND HISTORY.

Notable Message from the King.

LORD CURZON AND THE BHISTIS.

A NEW KIPLING POEM.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DECEMBER 23.

Lord Roberts reviewed the Mutiny Veterans at the Albert Memorial.

After the dinner, he read a telegram from the King.

The King, in the course of the message, said: "I speak in the name of the whole Empire when I say we deeply appreciate the conspicuous service rendered by them and their comrades, who have passed away under most trying circumstances, and with gallantry and endurance, and which was the means, under Providence, of saving our Indian Empire from great peril."

Lord Minto and Lord Kitchener telegraphed their heartiest greetings.

LONDON, DECEMBER 24.

Seven hundred Mutiny veterans sat down to the dinner given in their honour in the Albert Hall yesterday.

It was a long afternoon of tears, cheers and history.

Before the speeches began Gibson, of the Black Watch, the sole surviving piper of the Mutiny, entered the Hall piping "The Campbells are Coming," the whole assembly springing to their feet.

Lord Curzon, who made the speech of the day, paid most eloquent tributes to the Mutiny leaders and veterans and the long roll of unconspicuous dead; also the faithful native troops, not forgetting even the humble and heroic bhisties.

Lord Roberts spoke in similar lines.

The Last Post was then sounded in honour of the dead, all present standing up.

Mr. Ben Davis sang the Recessional and Mr. Lewis Waller recited a special poem composed by Mr. Rudyard Kipling who was present.

The proceedings concluded by the singing of Auld Lang Syne and God Save the King

THE OUTLOOK IN PERSIA.

Notable Warning on the Mahomedan Awakening.

LONDON, DECEMBER 23.

In an interview with a Reuter's representative, a high British authority remarked that the best hope for Persia is that Russia and England, without interference, will use their joint influence to assist the work of reorganisation.

Once the Persians are convinced that neither Russia nor England intends to promote the interests of political parties, in order to secure control of the Government, the outlook will improve.

Anyhow the present conflict must be a prolonged movement, augmented by the wave of patriotism and nationalism, which is passing over Asiatic peoples and Mussulman races.

The main interest of the European nations, in view of events in Morocco, is to prevent extending to Persia what has been so disastrous to Europe in Africa and elsewhere.

A movement against England and Russia originating in Persia would undoubtedly extend to India, the Caucasus and Central Asia.

LORD KELVIN'S FUNERAL.

Solemn Ceremony at Westminster.

AN EMINENT GATHERING.

LONDON, DECEMBER 23.

Lord Kelvin was buried to-day in the Abbey.

The ceremony was most impressive.

The funeral was attended by eminent scientists in England and from the Continent by the Foreign Ambassadors, the Lord Mayor, and Delegations from the Universities.

The King and the Prince of Wales were represented.

The Pall-bearers included Lord Rayleigh, Mr. Morley, Admiral Sir Edward Seymour, Lord Strathcona, and Sir George Darwin.

THE HARDEN CASE.

Moltke's Divorced Wife's Evidence.

LONDON, DECEMBER 24.

Cross-examination seriously shook the previous evidence of Count Von Moltke's divorced wife who supplied Harden with his information. She modified her statement to such an extent that the defence was nonplussed. The medical expert withdrew his statement which was based on her assertions.

THE AMERICAN FINANCIAL CRISIS.

More Gold Ordered.

LONDON, DECEMBER 24.

America has ordered another million dollars of gold.

THE AMERICAN FLEET.

LONDON, DECEMBER 24.

The American Fleet, under Admiral Evans, has arrived at Trinidad.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, DECEMBER 24.

The death is announced of the French astronomer Jansen.

JAPAN AND THE P. AND O. COMPANY.

Criticism of Sir T. Sutherland.

THE MANCHURIAN RAILWAY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DECEMBER 24.

The high Japanese Official already referred to, commenting on Count Okuma's alleged speech, further said that he considers the statement made by the Chairman of the Peninsular and Oriental Company at their late meeting was unfortunate and prejudicial to the relations of the two countries "No country" he said "could be blamed for encouraging its own shipping."

He had reason to believe that the negotiations between Japan and China, regarding the telegraphs in South Manchuria, were not of a discouraging nature, and the complaints of incivility on the Manchurian Railway were likely to be remedied, now that the Civil Authority was taking over the line.

MR. GINNEL M.P.

Arrested and Lodged in Jail.

LONDON, DECEMBER 24.

Mr. Ginnell has been arrested at Mullingar and is now lodged in Kilmamhan gaol.

THE SPLIT IN THE IRISH PARTY.

Partial Reunion.

LONDON, DECEMBER 24.

The negotiations between Mr. Redmond and Mr. William O'Brien for a reunion of the Irish Party have resulted in a basis of agreement being arrived at.

THE TROUBLE IN NATAL.

Dinizulu's Complicity.

TROOPS DEMOBILISED.

LONDON, DECEMBER 24.

The Natal troops are now being demobilised, and further operations have been abandoned.

LATER.

The preliminary examination of Dinizulu has begun. The son of the rebel leader, Sambaata gave evidence indicating that Dinizulu was privy to the preparations for the rising of 1906.

THE DENSHAWI PRISONERS

To be Released.

LONDON, DECEMBER 24.

It is announced in Cairo that with the consent of Great Britain the Denshawi prisoners will be released on the anniversary of the Khedive's accession to the throne on the 8th of January.

THE NEW ARMY SCHEME.

Conversion of the Militia.

LONDON, DECEMBER 24.

In connection with Mr. Haldane's scheme an Army Order has been issued dealing with the conversion of the Militia.

Seventy-four Militia Battalions become Reserve Battalions to Line Regiments. Twenty-seven are extra Reserve Battalions and twenty-three disbanded though the men are allowed to transfer to others.

PRIVATE MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS.

Sir Denzil Ibbetson's Advice.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, DECEMBER 24.

Sir Denzil Ibbetson, presiding at the annual prize distribution of the Lahore Medical College, said:—

"I have always regarded the diffusion of Medical and Surgical knowledge as one of the best things we have done in India and one great advantage attaching to Medical education in this country is that it stands absolutely apart from all political currents. I should like to see the work enormously extended. We have been told by Colonel Perry of the growth and development of the College in the last fifty years. But I should like to see five times the present numbers of students in attendance. I should like to see competent medical aid provided for every class of the population and, indeed, for every individual who desires to avail himself of it. But if this is to be achieved we must mainly rely upon Indian agency for the expansion. What India particularly wants in this direction at present is not more Official Medical Officers but more private medical practitioners. Trained young men in large numbers are wanted to set up in medical practice on their own account. The process has begun in some of the great cities, like Calcutta, where a very considerable number of private doctors are building up a wide practice, and in the Punjab a large number of retired Assistant Surgeons have taken up private work. But I want to see more of the young men who come here to study and to qualify to start, while in their youth, upon a career of private practice instead of fixing their aims upon official employment."

PROPOSED CONCILIATION BOARDS.

Supported by Railway Directors.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, DECEMBER 24.

The Indian Railway Conference Association will meet some time next month to consider the Government proposal for establishing Boards of Conciliation.

The Directors of various Railway Companies are understood to favour the scheme.

E. B. S. RAILWAY STRIKE.

Special Police Stationed.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 24.

A lock-out has commenced on the Eastern Bengal State Railway, and the strikers have been told that they will receive the pay due to them.

Special police have been deputed to keep order on the line.

ATTEMPTED MURDER BY STUDENTS.

OUTRAGE ON A BENGALI OFFICIAL.

Collector Shot at.

A CASE FOR HARSH MEASURES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 24.

Mr. B. C. Allen, Collector of Dacca, was shot last night at Goalundo and lies in a precarious condition in that station. He was on the platform at about 8 p.m. amongst a number of other persons including Nawab Ali Chowdhuri Bahadur and Mr Banerjee, the Sub-Registrar. He was about to get into the train when two shots were heard in quick succession and three Bengali lads were seen running away. Mr. Banerjee gave chase but it was dark and the lads, who are believed to have been students, escaped.

The shots appear to have been fired from a revolver and only one shot took effect hitting Mr. Allen in the back behind the shoulder. The bullet travelled downwards and penetrated the liver. He staggered after being hit, but it was not till later that the dangerous nature of the injury was realised.

Mr. Allen was en route for Bombay whence he was proceeding to Europe on long leave. Mrs. Allen had gone on in advance from Dacca and was at the time at Bankipur where her husband was to join her.

Medical assistance was procured locally and this morning at 9 a.m. Colonel Campbell, I.M.S., left Calcutta by special train for Goalundo and hopes to bring Mr. Allen back to Sealdah this evening.

Mrs. Allen is expected at Howrah by train from Bankipur about the same time.

A telegram this morning reports some slight improvement in Mr. Allen's condition.

LATER.

The arrest at Goalundo is reported of three Bengalis charged with the shooting of Mr. Allen, the Commissioner of Dacca.

Dr. Anderson left that station for Goalundo, Mr. Peters of the Eastern Bengal State Railway Police has gone there from Calcutta and the Bengal Government has also sent a Police Officer.

Two rewards of five thousand rupees each are offered for the detection of the culprits.

LATER.

Mr. Allen arrived here tonight none the worse for the journey.

ROHILKHAND-KUMAUN RAILWAY.

Serious Derailment—not Fatal.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, DECEMBER 24.

A serious accident has occurred on the Rohilkhand-Kumaun Railway. A Goods train from Kashipur lost a wheel, but proceeded nevertheless with difficulty to Ramnagar Station, but on entering that station five loaded wagons and a truck capsized. In the truck were the father, wife and children of the Station-Master and the wife of a pointsman, all being thrown out. Two small children escaped with bruises, but one of the bigger boys had his ear torn off and the two women, both of whom were in a delicate state of health, received serious injuries, and the man was also injured.

On receiving news of the accident, the Traffic and other subordinates rendered immediate assistance.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

BOMBAY BRIGADE ORDERS

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25.

Privilege leave of absence, from the 2nd to the 22nd January, is granted to Captain A. C. Pratt, 2nd Royal Scots.

Temporary leave of absence, for 10 days, from the 6th to the 15th January, is granted to Captain R. L. Haymes, R.G.A.

The undermentioned Officer is granted leave on private affairs out of India for 3 months, Lieutenant V. H. L. Pellew, 79th Company, R.G.A. (Date of departure should be reported to Bombay Brigade office).

BOMBAY.—ARRIVALS, Dec. 24.—Capt Gatehouse, 5th Fus, from Peshawar.
Lieut Thomas, A V C from Multan.
Lt Col Goren Hall, R A M C from England.
Br General Bowles, R A from England.
Lt Col Malloway, 27th L C from Jubbulpore.
Maj Butter, R F A from Kirkee
Br Genl Swaim, Staff, from Poona.
Lieut Patler, 117th Mahrathas, from Kamptee.
Maj Knatchbull, 120th Inf from Baroda.
Lieut Thornton, R F A from England.

DEPARTURES December 24.—Lieut Col Gordon Hall, R A M C to Meerut.
School Master Rogers, to England.
Capt Mowbray, 110 M L I to England.
Lieut Thornton R F A to Jhansi.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 23.

The following drafts sailed from Southampton for India in the Hired Transport "Rewa" on 18th December:—

1st Battalion, Seaforths, 52; 1st Battalion, York and Lancashire Regiment, 71; 1st Battalion, Royal Scots, 214; 2nd Battalion, Black Watch 51; 2nd Battalion, Berks, 53; 1st Battalion, West Yorks, 97; 1st Battalion, South Wales Borderers, 37; 1st Battalion, Lancashire Regiment, 186; 1st Battalion, R.-W. Surreys, 153; 1st Battalion, R. Munster Fusiliers, 67; Royal Horse Artillery, 30; Royal Field Artillery 245.

The Government of India have approved, with effect from the 1st of January, 1908, as a tantative measure, for one year, revised rates and rules for the conveyance of military traffic by rail. The new rules provide for the carriage of Government Stores at an all-round rate for each class of vehicle on all railways on which special rates for Government exist.

Army Veterinary Service.—Colonel F. W. Fossdyke has been ordered to India to relieve Colonel R. Priagle, Senior Veterinary Officer, Rawalpindi Division, who proceeds home in March next.

Captain Jesse, Army Service Corps, at present doing duty with the S. and T. Corps in India, proceeds home in March next on the expiration of his 5 years' appointment.

THE "KNIGHT BACHELOR" CASE.

Suit for Damages Dismissed

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, DECEMBER 24.

Judgment of much interest here in shipping circles, in the suit for damages instituted by the Knight Steamship Company against the Karachi Port Trust in consequence of the prosecution of the Master of the "Knight Bachelor" for failing to comply with an order to sail under Rule 5 of the Rules under Section 6 (b) of the Ports Act X of 1889, was delivered yesterday by Mr. Hayward, Additional Judicial Commissioner. The Judge found that the prosecution instituted without reasonable and probable cause was instituted without any malicious intention, that the prosecution was the direct cause of the detention of the vessel, but that no damages are recoverable in the absence of malicious intention. So this is no case of "Damnum absque Injuria." There has no doubt been "Damnum" or loss, but there has been no "Injuria" or interference with any legal right. It is not wrong to prosecute a man without reasonable and probable cause. It is only a wrong when superadded thereto is malicious intention. It follows that no damages are recoverable in the absence of malicious intention. The suit is therefore dismissed with costs.

LIEUT. GOVERNOR'S TRAIN EXPLOSION.

Work of Dismissed Coolies.

BENGALI INSTIGATION A FICTION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 24

Regarding the attempt to derail the Lieut.-Governor's train the "Empire" says the police learned that several men living in the village of Narayangarh, a short distance from the scene of the occurrence, had recently been dismissed. In the hut of one of these men a young fellow, of about 18 years of age, some explosive was discovered and the man in question has made a full confession to the police.

His story is that on the night of the explosion several of his former gang came to the hut and got him to go to the railway line where they dug a hole under one of the sleeper and placed an explosive connected with a detonator that would explode by the next passing train. Their idea was to do some damage and bring the gang, responsible for that section of the line, into trouble. They got back to their village and heard the explosion a couple of hours afterwards. He gave the names of the rest of the gang implicated and the police have lodged the lot in the Midnapur Jail.

The confession of the coolie is being tested and the prisoners have been remanded while enquiries are being prosecuted.

The statement of a correspondent to the "Indian Daily News" that the men were instigated by some Bengali gentlemen who paid them Rs. 5 a head to wreck the train is an invention and was not part of the coolie's confession, which the police have reason to believe is the true explanation of the occurrence.

FAMINE REPORT BY THE VICEROY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 24.

The following is the text of the telegraphic report on Famine, addressed by the Viceroy to the Secretary of State on 21st instant:—

Good rain has fallen in Madras Presidency and light rain in the rest of Southern India, Eastern Bengal and Assam and in parts of Burma. Moderate rain which fell in South West Bengal, Orissa and Chota Nagpur and in parts of Central Provinces has benefited the spring crops and facilitated further sowings. Elsewhere the week was practically rainless and rain is urgently wanted in Northern India.

There are indications that the distress is deepening in the United Provinces, especially in cities where those who are unable to work are feeling the pinch of high prices. Famine has been now declared in five districts.

The numbers on relief are:—Relief works 12,300; test works 9,500; gratuitous relief 9,100; poor house 500.

It has been found necessary to start village relief works in the Damoh District of the Central Provinces. 14,000 persons are now employed on test works in three Central India States and 780 persons are in receipt of gratuitous relief.

In Bombay 353 persons are employed on two test works in Panch Mahals District and another test work is being opened.

Crop reports just received show that the outturn of the winter rice crop will be 53 per cent, of normal in Bengal; 97 per cent, in Lower Burma, and 79 per cent, in Madras. The outturn of the autumn crops in Bengal was on the whole 72 per cent. of normal.

The prospects of the cotton crop are on the whole good in Madras and Bombay, though it is suffering from drought in places. Prices as a rule are stationary or rising.

SITARAMPUR SHOOTING CASE.

Myers Committed to the Sessions.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 24.

In the Sitarampur Shooting Case at Asansol, before Mr. Heycock, District Magistrate of Burdwan, H. Myers was committed to the Sessions, the charge being under Sections 302 and 304 of the Indian Penal Code.

[Section 302—Whoever commits murder shall be punished with death, or transportation for life and shall also be liable to fine.

Section 304.—Whoever commits culpable homicide not amounting to murder shall be punished with transportation for life, or imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to ten years and shall also be liable to fine, if the act by which the death is caused is done with the intention of causing death or of causing such bodily injury as is likely to cause death; or with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to ten years or with fine, or with both, if the act is done with the knowledge that it is likely to cause death, but without my intention to cause death, or to cause such bodily injury as is likely to cause death.]

PIRACY IN THE GULF.

Culprits Captured.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, DECEMBER 24.

Two pirates who committed brutal piracy in the Persian Gulf, recently reported, have been caught and sent to Mahomerah where they will be imprisoned for life.

"BARTABABA" SEDITION CASE.

Editor Gets Six Months.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 24.

In the Rungpur "Bartababa" Sedition Case before Mr. Vas, the Editor was convicted yesterday under Sections 124A and 153 of the Indian Penal Code and sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment.

SIR H. MACMAHON.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, DECEMBER 24.

The R. I. M. S. "Lawrence" arrived in harbour yesterday from the Gulf bringing Sir Henry Macmahon, Agent to the Governor General in Baluchistan, who left for Quetta the same evening.

SINCE the experiments carried out by the Admiralty, in which the "Belleisle" was used as a target, the delicate mechanisms on board battleships by which the gun fire is controlled from a central source have been greatly extended. With these improvements, which tend towards centralisation, the danger of interruption by the attack of projectiles is increased, and it is with a view to ascertaining the trustworthiness of this mechanism under high explosive shells that the Admiralty are about to utilise the obsolete second class battleship "Hero" as a target. This ship is now being fitted up with fire control instruments which necessarily depend for their good working upon electrical and mechanical arrangements of great delicacy, and the results of the experiments will doubtless prove to what extent the system may be relied upon when subjected to gun fire in action. Experience in the war between Russia and Japan showed that masts, funnels, and portions of the structure rising to a great height suffered the most, and, as these control stations are carried on masts, they are very subject to damage. Other navies are carrying out similar experiments on their old ships, and the French have recently decided to use the "Jena" for this purpose.

CHRISTMAS CAMPS IN SIND.

It is not so very long says the "Sind Gazette" that a retiring Governor (or was it a Viotroy?) lamented in his farewell speech that one of the many things which he had left undone, which he ought to have done in the course of his official career in India, was participation in the joys of a 'Christmas Camp.' He declared that the prospects of spending Christmas among the duck and the snipe had been one of the chief attractions that had lured him from his comfortable fire-side at Home, and hinted that it was only his stern devotion to duty which had ultimately prevented him from attaining his ambition. If this were really the case, there must have been bad "bandobust" somewhere, for everyone knows that from December 24th to January 1st the mills of Government stop grinding altogether, and that between those duties it is the duty of the staff to see that the Governor does nothing but enjoy himself And those who have participated in a really pleasant Christmas Camp will agree that the distinguished officer in quest on had a real grudge against fate (or his staff); for he missed a good deal No one can think of Christmas in India without recalling to mind Kipling's mournful picture:—

"Oh the white dust on the highway! Oh the stenches in the byway!
Oh the clammy fog that hovers over earth!
And at Home they're makin' merry 'neath the white and sea-let berry—
What part have India's exiles in their mirth?
* * * * *
Call a truce, then, to our labours—let us feast with friends and neighbours.
And be merry as the custom of our caste;
For, if "faint and forced the laughter" and if sadness follow after.
We are richer by one mocking Christmas past."

This may be true of Christmas spent in the cities of the plain, but any one who has had the good fortune to spend it among the "jhils" of Sind as one of a party of cheery friends, will agree that Christmas in India compares not at all unfavourably with Christmas spent in the middle of a London fog, and that there is nothing "faint or forced" about the laughter when one of the party tumbles off his reed boat into four feet of water!

Three things are needful to make a Christmas Camp a success: fine weather, the right people, and a lot of birds. The first you can generally count on at Christmas: bright sunny days, with a sharp feeling in the air in the early morning, and usually cold at night, but in the middle of the day just warm enough to keep you from getting chilly, if you have to stand in the water, and to make the ducks too lazy to fly high. As to the right people, if it is one's own camp, one can arrange that: if not one can't! The moral whereof is, try to have a camp of your own if you can or, if not, get invited to a camp where the host and hostess are likely to have given a little thought to the subject: it is at least as deserving of their consideration as the turkey and the plum pudding, though some of them do not recognise the fact.

And then the birds They are a factor in the situation for which it is impossible to make provision, beyond seeing that the *jhils* are not devastated beforehand and even this is possible only for the great ones of the earth. Sometimes one wishes that Christmas were a movable feast like Easter and could be altered to suit the time when "the birds come forth again"; for there are years (though this is not one of them) when January 25th would be a much better date for a big shoot than December 25th. But, as a rule, there is enough sport to last for 5 or 6 days, and sometimes enormous bags are made Generally the programme is something like this Breakfast at the camp at 9-30 or 10, for it is no use to start too early in the cold weather or the duck will fly too high. Then a camel ride to the appointed spot, and those who are wise take their guns in their hands and their cartridge-boxes slung on the camel. We remember a story of what happened not many centuries ago and not a thousand miles from Mirpurkhas. The then Ruler of the Province had a camp to which he had invited a party of first magnates. The first morning they drove and rode out to a famous "jhil" 10 miles off, which was simply swarming with duck. On arrival they found no cartridges, and the whole livelong day they sat and watching the duck passing and repassing in swarms above their heads—and the cartridges never came! What the host said on this occasion history telleth not, but one of the party had an almost unequalled knowledge of the Sindhi tongue, and the "cluck cluck" of the duck was not the only sound that disturbed the peaceful repose of the jhil that day. This was a specially 'hard case,' but it is a safe rule to keep the cartridges and the tiffin basket under one's eye Having reached the "jhil" the guns hid themselves in lovely contrived 'kndnas' and do their best to make themselves look as much like an innocent "lei" bush as possible. Then one shot from the furthest gun, and the fun begins. Up go the duck, mallard, pintail, gadwill, teal of all sorts in huge swarms, and away they go up and down the "jhil" the guns taking toll as they pass each according to his duck and ability. Sometimes the fusil lade lasts for 3 hours if the beating is done properly, and there is no "jhil" close by to which the birds can escape. Afterwards one can generally walk round the edges and pick up some snipe if one is industrious enough. Then back to the starting point, where the bag is counted, and one has the satisfaction of finding that if one has not killed as many birds as A (who is the crack shot in Sind) one has at least done better than B. Sometimes when the shooting is done from big boats, the ladies of the party come too, and this is good business for the duck! And after the bag has been picked up and the baters paid, back to camp in the dusk of the evening, to partake of plum pudding and mincepids, and sing songs round the flowing bowl until it is time to turn in. And if "at Home they're making merry 'neath the white and scarlet berry" those exiles at least who spend their Christmas in this pleasant fashion have little reason to complain of their lot.

THE INDO-BRITISH INSTITUTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Every one in Bombay knows, I think, of the Indo-British Institution, and that it is a very deserving charity.

It is passing through a financial crisis at this present time, and with the object of obtaining the needed funds, an entertainment has been organised.

This entertainment will be a "Costume and Tableaux Concert" and will take place about the third week in February in the new Empire Theatre: indeed the Concert will inaugurate the opening of the Theatre.

The Concert has assumed much greater proportions than at first was anticipated, mainly owing to the very great kindness of H. E the Governor in extending his patronage and lending his Band for the occasion, and also of Lady Maud Warreader and Miss Clarke in consenting to sing.

Mr W. F Firth has kindly undertaken the role of Business Manager. It is much hoped the general public will help this good cause by patronising the entertainment and thereby produce a substantial cheque to hand over to the Hon. Treasurer.

Messrs. Rose and Co. are kindly doing the booking free of charge.—Yours, &c.,

MARY F. HOPKINS.

THE ARMY PENSIONERS' CHRISTMAS FETE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I have been directed by General Greenfield, Commanding the Bombay Brigade, to thank you for your kindness in subscribing in former years to the Pensioners' Fete Christmas Fund, and in again asking you to bring the following to the notice of your readers.

It has been the custom hitherto to spend almost the whole of the amount subscribed on sports and a tea for the children, and on a dinner and evenning fete and small presents to the pensioners and their families and friends After consulting several of the pensioners, it is considered that this way of spending the money is wasteful, and certainly no lasting benefit is ensured. This year, and in future years, it is proposed to dispose of the money subscribed in the following manner, in order that the pensioners and their families may benefit to the utmost:—(a) To give a small sum in cash to each of the widows of pensioners in the Tardeo Home to purchase for themselves whatever they may like best (b) To give to each pensioner a small sum in proportion to the number and circumstances of his family for the purchase of toys or to assist in their Christmas festivities. (c) To give a dinner to the pensioners themselves only.

The balance of the money subscribed to be credited to a Fund to be called "The Pensioners' Benefit Fund" and to be expended at the discretion of the General Officer Commanding Bombay Brigade for the following charitable purposes:—(a) To assist the families of pensioners in cases of sickness and poverty. (b) In the case of the death of a pensioner, to assist the widow and orphans. (c) For any purpose which the General Officer Commanding may consider worthy and of true benefit to a pensioner or his family By expending the money of the fund in this way it is hoped that the happiness and welfare of the pensioners and their families may be increased, and for this end the General Officer Commanding asks you to kindly subscribe.—Yours, etc.

C. A. F HOOKEN, Captain,
D. A. A. General, Bombay Brigade,
Hon. Sec., Army Pensioners' Benefit Fund.

OUR BERLIN LETTER.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DOMESTIC POLITICS

Ibsen's Posthumous Work.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BERLIN, DECEMBER 6.

In Germany it is an old standing usage that in the general debate about the budget the leading statesman gives a survey of the foreign situation and of the political course in the domestic affairs of his country. At the beginning of the present parliamentary season this has been done by Prince Bulow in the most admirable manner and evidently without reserve. As regards the foreign affairs of Germany, two questions stood during the last year in the centre of public interest: the Morocco problem and Germany's relations to England. Reviewing the development of the Morocco entanglement, the Imperial Chancellor explained in the Diet for what reasons the German government was compelled to interfere in this affair. It was not a matter of any material advantage to be got out of this broil, but the preservation of Germany's honour and prestige that necessitated this action. With great effect the Chancellor compared this emergency with the preliminary complications of the Franco-Prussian war. On that occasion it was, as a matter of fact, not the candidature of the hereditary Prince of Hohenzollern for the Spanish throne that caused the outbreak of hostilities, for that point was settled already in the sense of the French aspirations, but the impudence and haughtiness with which France demanded binding declarations on principle that offended the dignity of the King of Prussia and eventually necessitated a crossing of the bayonets. Now Delcasse's arrogance succeeded in bringing about a similar danger, and for some time to come it will tax the good-will and diplomatic tact of the present French Cabinet to avoid the repetition of such a needless complication.

Under the present circumstances it was only natural that Prince Bulow in reviewing a variety of occurrences during the last year gave an optimistic account of the relations between the German and British nations and expressed his satisfaction about the growing friendship between the two kindred nations. While on the whole the English Press applauded this part of Prince Bulow's speech, it is remarkable that the "Daily Graphic" exerted itself to detect a contrast between the intentions of the German Emperor and the German nation on one hand and the attitude of Prince Bulow on the other. Our contemporary was quite ready to acknowledge the friendly feelings on the part of the Kaiser and the large majority of the German nation, but pointed to Prince Bulow as the very man who had incited the former estrangement between the two nations. A more unjustified reproach against the German Imperial Chancellor is hardly conceivable. It is true that in one single instance the Chancellor refuted an unprovoked attack in one of Mr. Chamberlain's speeches, but apart of this one instance, it was Prince Bulow who, together with the German Emperor, successfully opposed every outbreak of popular indignation at the time when there was a very strong feeling of antipathy prevalent in the public opinion of Germany.

I have the best reason to state that at a critical moment Prince Bulow used the whole influence he has on a portion of the German Press in the sense of toning down the expression of dissatisfaction and heartburnings against England. In thus swimming against the current of public opinion he risked his popularity, and we well remember how the wildest cavils and attacks were hurled at him, especially from the Pan-Germanic camp. Whatever objections one may be inclined to bring forth against the present Imperial Chancellor, so much is certain that he cannot be charged with having contributed to the former misunderstanding between the two nations, for the facts speak too plainly against this theory.

In the home politics of Germany since the dissolution of Parliament about a year ago the leading event was the formation of the "bloc," i. e., the combination of the Conservative and Liberal parties in the Imperial Diet. As thereby a working majority was arrived at, the prevailing influence of the Centrists, who for more than ten years had asserted their strength in the current legislation, was set aside. It is not to be wondered at that this party, and more especially its political Press tries by all means to separate the components of the "bloc" and that it makes new efforts nearly every day to sow the seeds of dissent between the Conservatives and Liberals. It is a feather in the cap of Prince Bulow that in two admirable speeches in the Diet he laid bare the artful tactics of the Centrists. By exposing their tricks and by proving what practical results both Conservatives and Liberals could secure by mutual indulgence and sympathetic co-operation, the Chancellor helped to consolidate the "bloc" which is indeed his own creation. The stability of this "bloc" is at the same time a guarantee for the stability of the entire political life of the German nation.

All the more are we justified in our estimation regarding the durability of the "Bloc" policy as it has already undergone a pretty severe test. A split was caused by the highly inopportune and tactless speeches of two parliamentarians of the "bloc" parties; but Prince Bulow stepped in at once and within 24 hours the awkward difference was settled, leaving behind the impression that such eccentricities will not occur again.

IBSEN'S POSTHUMOUS WORK.

Professor Karl Larsen's publication on the literary legacy of Henrik Ibsen, the great poet, is the book of the season. It was a foregone conclusion that there was little hope for any discoveries in the manuscript heaps left by the so-called Magician of the North. The fact as we now see it is that Ibsen for nearly a generation regularly gave us a drama every other year. He worked all his thoughts and feelings into this one work that occupied him entirely There were no by-products nor chips nor waste in his workshop. The only treasure found was a large fragment of an epic poem dating back to his early period of life. The subject treated is identical with that of the drama "Brand," but a new side of the man as well as of the poet is revealed by this publication. Once indeed a statement that such a poem had been written was casually made in 1888 by Henrik Jaeger, who probably derived his knowledge from the poet himself. Then silence was kept until now.

The Latin saying "habent sua fata libelli" is curiously illustrated by this interesting manuscript. Ibsen wrote an epic poem on the "Brand" problem during his stay in Rome from July 1864 to the end of 1865. Before finishing it he left the Eternal City in 1868, leaving a trunk with a variety of his belongings, and amongst them this manuscript in the charge of the "Scandinavian Association." The spacious but dark premises of this Association in the Palazzo Corea were some time later gone through with a view of throwing away all rubbish. Thus it could happen that these writings were sold as waste paper. Fortunately a Danish Art Amateur and Collector of curiosities of the name Andreas Reiersen Pontoppidan who stayed in Rome from 1892 to 1900 discovered at the stall of a second-hand bookseller these manuscripts among a heap of old books. There were some other early writings of Ibsen's in the lot purchased, but nothing comparable to this gem. Mr. Pontoppidan bequeathed his treasure to the Royal Library at Copenhague and charged his friend Professor Karl Larsen with the task of editing the poem. As, however, no agreement could be arrived at with the author in the last three years of his life about any literary question, the publication had to be postponed until after his death.

Now going over to the poem we may give an idea of its length by mentioning that it contains nearly 200 stanzas of eight lines each. Formal superiority and well balanced mode of expression, occasionally even sublimity of style, are characteristics of the poem. There are four parts distinguishable in the fragment. The first bears the title: "To the accessories after the fact." Therewith the whole Norwegian nation is meant. Ibsen was heartily indignant at the cowardice of the Norwegians that would not take up the cudgel for the Danes who fought against Prussia and Austria. He fancied himself before the coffin of his nation and saw the future of Norway stretched down by the game of life and death which it had played for years. We have now the authentic proof that it was anger at the whole political and national life of Norway that suggested the Brand motive to the poet. With the second part "Over the high mountains" the story commences. It is the first scene of the drama that is given here in the form of a narrative. The whole of the events and their motives is brought near us in the epic poem. "Church avenues" is the title of the third part. In boats the people flock to the parish church. Brand is pleased to watch them, when suddenly the half-mad girl approaches him and entices him up to the formidable temple of nature in the midst of ice and snow on the mountain top. The fourth and last part "In front of the church" takes us back into Brand's parish. The well-fed Bailiff distributes the week's wages in the shape of bread, barley and moralising cant, while the pale intimidated labourers receive what is given them. Suddenly Brand steps forwards, repudiates the Pharisean bailiff, leads the people into the church and elevates their feelings by his powerful preaching "Man shall not live by bread alone."

It is clear that the figures and motives of the drama were already fixed in Ibsen's mind when he composed the epic poem. After long meditation he reproduced the whole in dramatic form. There is much that was dropped by this choice of beautiful descriptions of scenery, touching reflections and reminiscences of the old days, the sarcastic irony in the description of the bailiff. But for the popular effect of the poem the dramatisation was the safer way. How many people would have read a poem of some thousands of verses? Certainly not as many as will wait before the curtain when such a modern drama is announced. The principal charm of the poem now published, 42 years after its composition, is in the light it throws upon the inward life of Ibsen at the decisive point of his development.

NOTES.

The new Grand Duke of Baden at the opening of Parliament announced a Bill for the installation of waterpower by the State of Baden with a view of securing throughout the country a sufficient supply of cheap power for all times to come. At four places new waterpower plants are contemplated that will yield an aggregate of 800 or 900 million effective horse-power hours per year. Every minute an energy of 350,000 horse power will be at the disposal of the State management. About a quarter of this energy will be consumed by the Government railways and workshops, while three-quarters are to be let in the shape of electricity to industrial concerns or domestic uses. Baden has great physical advantages in this respect, as the waterpower of the Rhine river a little below Basel is practically the same all the year round, and simple structures will be required to dam up the water of the Murg and Wutach rivers in the Black Forest. At Forbach and Walshut two central stations are to be built at a distance of 80 miles from each other. Between them in the middle part of the Black Forest the choice will lie between the valleys of the Elz and Kinzig rivers. The whole expense of the works is estimated at 6 or 7 million Lstr. For the electrisation of its railways and other purposes the State will absorb about a quarter of the electric current thus created. As 500,00 tons of coal for which at present 400,000 Lstr. are paid annually could then be saved, this means already a good return for the outlay. But, besides thrice as much of moving power could be let to private consumers. If we consider that for manufactured goods of every kind the nearness of the Rhine offers the chance of exceedingly low freight rates down the river, we may well anticipate a new epoch of industrial prosperity for the Duchy of Baden.

"Little but excellent" is the verdict passed on this year's vintage in the famous Rhine districts. As regards quantity most places of produce report something between one-quarter and one-third of a fair harvest, higher estimates up to one-half of a good average forming the exception. But by way of compensation the warm sun of this year's autumn and the delay of the gathering of the grapes until November have greatly improved the quality of the wine. The must-gauge indicated very high degrees, especially the old favourite vineyards of Geisenheim, Johannesberg and Rauenthal have surpassed themselves this year.

The question whether cases of appendicitis are not much more common than they formerly used to be is frequently answered in the affirmative by medical practitioners. As a kind of explanation for this deplorable increase the larger consumption of meat is generally pointed to. In order to decide this momentous question Dr. Villaret, Surgeon-General of the Prussian Army, studied the statistics of abdominal diseases in the Prussian Army for a period of 27 years, 1873—1900. There was indeed an increase in the treated cases of appendicitis by not less than 70 per cent. As, however, the regulation diet remained exactly the same, there is no possibility of explaining the rise of the figures from a change in the nourishment of the soldiers. Dr. Villaret calls attention to the striking fact that three other groups of diseases that as a matter of fact were often confounded with appendicitis show a decrease in almost the same proportion: Peritonitis of 70·2 per cent., chronic stomach diseases of 79·9 per cent. and liver complaints of 64·2 per cent. If one looks at the reports on dissections of the body, the diagnostic errors gradually disappear. It is, therefore, a sound conclusion that the increase of cases of appendicitis is only an apparent one, while in reality the number was just as appallingly large in former times, when only the more obvious cases were detected as such. Therewith the whole speculation whether or not our food may account for the alleged greater frequency falls to the ground.

L. ASCH.

A CURIOUS EPISODE OF THE MUTINY.

Jagonnath Sunkersett Falsely Accused of Treason.

The following is the account of Charles Forjett to which we refer in our leading columns to-day:—

In times of public excitement one can never be too cautious in accepting and crediting every rumour and flying report. In Bombay there was no lack of persons ready and willing to reveal plots and combinations. Lord Elphinstone himself, through the medium of European gentlemen, was stocked with all kinds of information, the particulars of which his Lordship communicated to me. Mr. Jugonnath Sunk

CLEVER TRAIN ROBBERIES.

Accused Arrested in Bombay.

A Calcutta telegram says the "Empire" report the capture by the Calcutta Police of one Kondrusky, a Russian Pole, who has been charged with committing thefts in railway trains.

The thefts with which the accused Koudrusky and others are charged present remarkable story of daring crime. Robberies on the trains between Bombay and Calcutta had of late been of quite frequent occurrence and they were committed in such a clever manner that the police found it impossible to bring the authors of the thefts to book. It was suspected that the thefts were the work not of one individual but of a gang of intelligent and daring robbers. On the third instant the Calcutta Police received certain information which they communicated to the Bombay Police. The information was about a person who was suspected of being the leader of the gang. The Calcutta Police informed the Bombay Police that the person suspected was supposed to have left Calcutta for Bombay. It was subsequently found that the man went to Benares and Cawnpore instead of coming down to Bombay. Later on however, he arrived in Bombay with an accomplice. On the 9th instant General Hawke who was travelling by the Jubbulpore mail reported to the police at Khandwa the loss of three peal buttons valued at about Rs. 750. Mr. Stewart, another passenger by the same train, also complained of the lost of certain valuable articles, amongst which were some currency notes. The accused are charged with the above thefts. They are also chargéd with robbing Miss Olga Simirnoff, a Russian lady, of three rings. The lady who was travelling in a third class compartment by the Up Delhi Express states that when the train had passed Kasara Station she found some one putting his hand into the pocket of her dress, which roused her from sleep. She found an evil-looking European in her compartments she got up and attempted to stop him running away. The man opened the carriage door, but she bravely kept on pulling him inside. The man, however, was able to release himself and the lady fell not of the open door of the compartment. She sustained injuries and last consciousness.

On Tuesday night, Inspector Favel of the Bombay Detective Force arrested on suspicion a man who gave his name as John Bromfield. Another man who is suspected to be the accomplice of the man previously arrested was also arrested in Bombay on Sunday morning. He gave his name as Kondrusky. The property found with the two men includes besides jewellery precious stones and watches, a large collection of coins of various nations, chiefly Chiese, Belgian, Strait Settlements, Canarese, Portuguese Egyptain, Muscat, Mombasa, Sarawak, Zanzibar, and Celyon. The accused, have been remanded in police custody by the Presidency Magistrate for further inquiries.

A MESSAGE TO THE CONGRESS.

The following letter, signed by Sir W. Wedderburn, Bart., and Mr. A. O. Hume, C. B., has been forwarded to the Chairman of the Reception Committee of the Indian National Congress at Surat. It is dated December 4:—

By the time this reaches you the Indian National Congress will be assembling for its 23rd session; and, being among its earliest friends, we write to wish it all success. May its deliberations and conclusions work for the permanent welfare of India and her vast population.

It is said that the Congress is now passing through a grave crisis; that, although its supporters are agreed as to the ends to be sought, there exist among them wide differences or opinion as to the best methods to attain those ends; and that there is a danger, for the first time, of a break in the unanimity of the Congress proceedings.

As regards this forecast, we are not alarmed by differences of opinion as to methods. As a cause advances and takes more definite shape, questions of expedience and stategy must necessarily arise to to divide those whoare equally true to principle. As in the army of progress there are always those who feel impelled to march faster than their comrades. Such differences are a sign of vitality, and of energy and in this sense are to be welcomed. What we have to guard against is the danger of allowing these differences to break up the army in the day of battle allowing opponents to crush the various sections in detail. Skirmishers are useful and necessary to go forward and draw the fire, but they must be prepared at the right moment to fall back upon their supports, and present a united front to the enemy.

Great issues depend upon the proceedings of the present Congress Owing to the interest which recent event in India have excited, these proceedings will be watched in this country with eager scrutiny; by friends, who expect that Indian patriots will rise to the occasion; by opponents, who hope that ground will be afforded for alleging that India is unfit for self government. What we desire to see in the Congress is unanimity, based on a wise and dignified self-restraint, such as has always distinguished its proceedings: and we feel confident that an object lesson of such unanimity presented to the world at this important juncture will be of the highest value to India's best interests.

In conclusion, we would say to our friends of the Congress: Be of good cheer! The pains from which India is now suffering are the pains of growth, not of decay. Have confidence in the destiny of your ancient race. Be steadfast, immovable, always aboanding in the work of the Lord.

INDIAN CATTLE FOR DUKE OF BEDFORD.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 24.

A shipment of selected breeds of Indian cattle and sheep will shortly be forwarded to England for the Duke of Bedford.

Animals are being selected by the Veterinary Department.

PASSENGERS PER S. S. "DUMBIA."

THE following passengers will proceed to Marseilles by the Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer 'Dumbia," to-morrow from the stream. There will be the usual medical inspection of the saloon passengers at Ballard Pier at 11 a.m. Native servants and ayahs are all deck passengers must be at the Prince's Dock, disinfecting shed, at 9-15 a.m. with all their baggage:—

Mr G I Inance, Mr C E Munford, Mr H Settles, Mr Smith, Mr Cellier, Mrs Cellier and Son, Mr Wilfrid S Peake, Mr W G Rogers, Mr and Mrs Largeau Mr and Mrs Pugnet, Mr Qion J, Mr L'Herminer, and 3 children, Mr A F Pastur, Mr H A Badee, Mr Hurze, Mr Solem Alou, Mr Zaitri bal Mekki, Mr Mahomed Ben Ziami, Mr L Harminier's servant, Mr K Sebastien, Mr Sorrel Marius, Mr Samos, Mr and Mrs Roginandi, Mr Gaston Winot, Mr R Hamon, Mr J Marion, Mr E Fougerat, Mr A Schahavart, Mr N H Bains, Miss Bains, Mr Passeat de Silans, Contre Amiral de Marolles. Mr Oillean, Mr O Doierne, Mr Zozoquel, Mr Mare, Mr Chiaroni, Mr Ducrocq Jules and seven French Marines, Mr Barkin, Mr Guerin. Mr Salpin, Mr Counece, Mr Kerros, Mr Gaudet, Mr Madse, Mr Jaffrezo, Mr Francis, Mr Guermeur, Mr Kervegic, and Mr L C Martin.

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THE NATIVE PRESS.

THE BATTLE OF THE BRIDGES.

Referring to H. E. the Governor's invitation of public criticism on the question of the abolition of the railway line south of the Grant Road station, the "Rast Goftar" writes:—The scheme on which H. E. Sir George Clarke invited the public to pronounce an opinion, specially calls for suggestions towards a practical solution for the house-accommodation problem. How can that problem make any headway towards a consummation of the project on which the Governor has set his heart, if the means of speedy and cheap communication with outskirt stations and the interior of the city along the north are intercepted. There can be no gainsaying the fact that the railway line in its present position is out of place, but the engineer who fixed the alignment never anticipated the present growth and expansion of the city. At its worst, the line is an ugly disfigurement along a beautiful foreshore and the iron horse with its curly smoke is a nuisance to carriage drivers. But beyond that, it is a useful medium of communication and an important connecting link between the commercial centres of the town and the northern and suburban stations of the city. The difficulties of free communication with the foreshore might be obviated by the construction of overhead bridges. They will be costly, and will require considerable outlay in their construction, as shown in the Government's communique. But the money spent would not be thrown away, and would yield compensation that admits of no valuation in money. Since the outbreak of plague, thousands of citizens who crowded together in dense and over-populated localities in close proximity to business commercial centres of the town, have beaken themselves to uninhabited areas in the north. To deprive them of cheap expeditious and convenient communication with the heart of the city would be to rob them of the only inducement they have in living away from business quarters, where they earn their daily bread. The bodies whose opinions are called for, only represent one side of the picture. They have already expressed their opinion on this subject before now, and will adhere to the same and reiterate it; but their opinion is not that of the native public who hold very strong and emphatic views against it.

CORPORATION BANQUET TO THE GOVERNOR.

The "Gujrati":—In proposing the toast of His Excellency the Governor, the Hon. Mr. Vithaldas dwelt a good deal upon the difficulties of housing the poor. Those difficulties have already resulted in serious consequences. Never were the house rents so high and never was the cost of living in Bombay so heavy as ithey have been for some time past. The question of accomodating thousands of workmen and servant's can be solved with success, only if, as was pointed out by the Hon. Mr. Vithaldas, the Government offered to co-operate with the mill-owners, the Municipality, the Port Trust and the other bodies concerned. The housing problem is certain to receive a very sympathetic consideration at the hands of our present Governor. For our own part we do not like to exhaust our encomiums upon His Excellency at this stage of his career. It is somewhat unjust to him to place him in a false position and raise unduly high expectations. The best of Governors and Viceroys have no control over unforseen contingencies and all calculations made beforehand have the cruel knack of being upset to the profound disappointmeut of every one concerned But there can be no question that in Sir George Clarke the Presidency has got a ruler of solid attainments, thoughtful temperament, guileless and open-hearted sympathy and independent judgment, and it is the duty of the Indian press and the Indian public to treat his Excellency in the same spirit in which he has been taking the public into his confidence. Here is a good opportunity for us all to take the best advantage of the noble impulses of a liberal-minded Governor, and at least so far as we are concerned, let us not throw away that opportunity by mixing up irrelevant questions or needlessly harping on old sores.

The "Akhbari-Soudagar":—The idea of entertaining Governors in our Guildhall was first started and carried out by Mr. Macdonald—"Old Father William" of our Corporation—who so long and varied experience of Bombay enabled him to realise the fact that such banquets not only brought about a happy union of the rulers and the ruled but that it also enabled the Government and the Corporation for an interchange of the ideas on questions of great moment and importance affecting the sanitary needs of the city. There are many questions which could be readily and satisfactorily ventilated at a social gathering of the Corporation, without anything like official circumlocution or red-tapeism, which more often than not divide instead of harmonising the two administrative bodies. One of the most important features which distinguished the banquet, was the presence of orthodox Hindus in the hall at the time the dinner was done justice to by the assembly. Mr. Vithaldas has thus killed two birds of reform, namely social and municipal, with one stone of unfailing tact and ripe judgment. The banquet will, accordingly, mark a new era both in respect of social and municipal reform, for which Mr Vithaldas deserves no small credit. The President's speech, which dealt with a number of questions of great civic importance, was all that could be desired on such an occasion. Extraneous matters were carefully and appropriately omitted. As an employer of labour, and one who has great regard for the working classes of this city, Mr. Vithaldas trotted out once more his hobby horse of providing them with sanitary dwellings at the expense of public bodies—an idea which does not readily suggest itself to other millowners and employers of labour in Bombay. His Excellency Sir George Clarke made a reply suited to the occasion Every line of his speech breathed of sympathy and goodwill to the people among whom he is placed as the first citizen of the Presidency Like his predecessors, his Excellency did not indulge in vague generalities and ambiguous expressions, but he went straight at questions which have been occupying the minds both of the Government and the Corporation.

The "Rast Goftar":—The entertainment of Governors and distinguished personages by the Municipal Corporations is an idea which Bombay has been very likely the first to initiate and commend to the rest of the country. Banquetting notables, and amongst them the ruling representatives of the King, is an agreeable social function that brings to the city in closer touch than formal presentation of long-winded addresses, personages with whom it desires to seek prominence or sympathy. The idea is not likely to take on with as much enthusiasm as we would for social and caste prejudices against interdining with aliens would not be overcome for the sheer pleasure of honour of entertaining eminent personalities. On the other hand, if the new feature which has been lately introduced were to be made a precedent for the future, there will be as our contemporary of the "Bombay Gazette" shrewdly puts it, fewer aspirants for the Civic Chair, which will become, in that case, the monopoly of the affluent at the expense, probably of the capable, But the city will not demur its Corporation meeting the expense from its exchequer to entertain notables and great guns when the President is not a man of substance, provided they are not too enthusiastic to play the role of the host in the city's name The precedent is a good one and we like to see it followed up especially in case of every new and departing Governor and Viceroy It is a splendid means of establishing cordial relationship between the ruling statesman and the representatives of the city. The Governor thus entertained is placed in a position to acquaint himself with the leading citizens and members of the Corporation, and the acquaintance thus developed serves a useful purpose, especially when made with Governors of the type of Sir George Clarke, who like him are great believers in the utility of face to face interview and direct communication with responsible citizens as an essential element of efficient Government. Further, the entertainments invite the sympathetic attention of the ruling hierarchy to burning topics of civic importance when the Corporation invites with the boss of Government the whole circle of his chief advisers. Social amenities carry with them if we can so put it a sort mutual obligation.

The "Indu Prakash":—It was a brilliant function—the dinner given to His Excellency the Governor by the President of the Corporation and we have to congratulate the Hon. Mr. Vithaldas Damodar Thackersey on the unqualified success thereof, whatever views one may entertain in regard to the inconvenience this precedent may cause in the future Mr. Vithaldas' speech was a happy one and he did well to marshall the achievements of Bombay as well as its future ambitions and sore wants and needs. Proper arrangements for the housing of the poor was the main plank in his programme and no one can contest the proposition that without co-operation between the Gavernment, the Improvement Trust and the employers of labour nothing tangible could be achieved. His Excellency the Governor's speech was a highly encouraging one and it ought to be very gratifying to Bombay to see him take up in right earnest the vital question of fixing a definite policy in regard to its future expansion. Sir G. Clarke is a friend of the people, he wishes to translate sympathy into acts, promises to be easy of approach and eager to learn and wants cordial relations with those who are championing the cause of the people.

The "Sanj Vartman":—It was really a very happy idea of the Hon Mr. Thackersey's to invite H. E The Governor to a banquet in the magnificent Municipal Hall The President, in a sense, occupies the same civic position as the Lord Mayor of London. Such functions are more than mere convivial gatherings. In India particularly they have a peculiar significance. Where the line of demarkation between the rulers and the ruled is so distinct and wide, such gatherings do a great deal to bring about a better understanding and their very informal character takes away all that straight-laedness which usually characterises purely official relations. The former such catherings are held the better. Last night's gathering was a perfect success. As was to be expected Mr. Vithaldas, in proposing the toast of the evening, referred to most of the stirring municipal questions of the day. His Excellency's reply was marked by suavity, sympathy and a keen appreciation of the honour done him.

THE GOVERNOR AND NATIVE EDITORS.

The "Gujarati":—About 2,360 years ago the great sage of the Far East, Confucius, asked Governors to "Go before the people with thy example and spare not thyself in their efforts." This was quoted by his Excellency in replying to his toast, as the guiding principle of his administration. It is well known that His Excellency has, since his arrival, sought information from many citizens on various questions, distinctly warning them that he wanted them to speak to him with an open heart and not mind whether it would be palatable to him or not. His Excellency acted upto his motto in inviting the editors of vernacular papers to inspect for themselves the process of manufacturing the plague prophylactic. About fifty Editors responded to the invitation and after they had seen everything, Captain Liston got himself inoculated in their presence and that was, be it remembered, for the fifth time. His Excellency addressed the editors in a most sympathetic candid and homely speech which no Indian reader can read without being struck by his genuine simplicity, high character and broad-mindedness. He asked for full and even adverse criticism but he expected fairness of spirit and suggestions of a constructive character. We have a good deal to say in this connection. But in the meanwhile we must express our sincerest thanks to His Excellency for the condescension he showed in meeting and addressing Indian editors personally in a spirit which can not be too warmly commended.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF BOMBAY.

The "Rast Goftar":—The Government of H. E. Sir George Clarke have addressed an important communication to various public bodies in Bombay, soliciting their views on a question of vital importance to the city This is not the first time that these bodies have been called upon to pronounce their views on the various issues that are embodied in the scheme which Government have adumbrated in its barest outlines for the expansion of the city. Uncalled-for or otherwise, they have pronounced their views before this, and given Government the benefit of their opinion for what it is worth. The bodies consulted mostly represent the European side of the question, with which native opinion in this city has emphatically declined in past years to agree. With the exception of the Bombay Corporation there is no other body on the list of those, whose opinions are invited, which will allow Government an opportunity to feel the pulse of the vast majority of the city's population, in whose interest the scheme has been proposed. In view of the packed majority which has been foisted on the city's Corporation since the late municipal election, we are inclined to be sceptical if even that body would be able to pronounce in an independent opinion as to the merits of the case in keeping with the public view, which it is bound to represent to the Government. Native merchants who own large stakes in the city have not been consulted, and we hope their opinion would be called for, especially as regards that portion of the scheme as contemplates sweeping changes in the present system of communication and transit. The public is all sympathy with the project in that part of it, where it seeks to solve the problem of house accommodation.

THE WEATHER

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, DECEMBER 24.

The shallow depression in Northern India has been passing eastward without giving any rain and the skies have cleared in the extreme north but light cloud appeared in parts of Rajputana.

The weather has been dry over the whole of the country and the skies are generally clear.

In Burma the skies have cleared. The moisture in the air on the whole is slightly below the average and the temperature has risen in Tenasserim, but is still considerably below normal except in the north of the Province. In the north-east of India, including Orissa, the skies are free from cloud; humidity varied irregularly and is nearly equal to the average, while the temperature is normal. In the United rovinces, Central India and the Central Provinces light clould is reported from the extreme north-west of the United Provinces, but elsewhere the skies remain clear. The air has become drier and the moisture contained by it less than normal at most stations, while the temperature has risen in the south of the Central Provinces and is now nearly normal everywhere. In the north-west of India the skies have cleared in Upper India and only light cloud is reported from Simla and parts of Rajputana. Humidity is normal or in defect and the temperature has fallen in Baluchistan and Upper India and is in defect in the latter area and normal in the rest of the Division. In the Peninsula the skies clear except are in the Coast Districts of Madras where they are lightly clouded. The air is drier than usual in the north-west and contains the average quantity of moisture, but elsewhere the temperature has fallen, and is generally in defect at a few stations and normal in rest of the Peninsula.

Forecast:—No rain is likely.

BOMBAY DAILY WEATHER REPORT FOR THE 24th DECEMBER.

Punjab.—Skies are clear or only lightly clouded and humidity has been in slight excess of normal at Lahore and Delhi and generally in defect in other places. Calms and north-westerly winds prevail generally. Maximum and minimum temperatures have been cooler than usual throughout the district except locally at Delhi where the maximum was 1° in excess of normal.

United Provinces—Skies are practically clear and the air has been drier than usual throughout the district. Wind was blowing from westerly direction at Allahabad while calm was recorded at the remaining stations. The variations of the day temperature are generally small while those of the night temperature show a defect of from 2° to 8° at all the recording stations.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear or only lightly clouded and the amount of moisture in the air has been in moderate excess at Jacobabad and in slight to moderate defect in other places. Wind direction was north-easterly at Karachi and south-easterly at Jaipur while calm was recorded at Jacobabad and Ajmer. During the day time temperature was fairly normal at Jaipur, 1° hotter at Ajmer and Karhchi and 2° cooler at Jacobabad. At night temperature was 1° to 4° cooler than usual throughout these districts.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear and humidity has been in excess of normal at Bhuj and Bhavnagar Para and generaly in defect elsewhere. Calms and north-easterly or south-easterly breezes prevail generally throughout these districts. Temperature during the day time was fairly normal in Central ndia West, 2° cooler at Bhuj and 1° to 3° warmer in all other places. Night temperature was 8° to 7° cooler then usual in Central India West and at Deesa, Bhavnagar Para and Bhuj and 4° warmer at Veraval.

Central Provinces.—Skies are clear and humidity is in excess of normal at Raipur and generally in defect elsewhere. Wind was westerly in direction at Raipur while calm and north-easterly or south-easterly breezes prevailed elsewhere. Temperature during the day time was fairly normal at Jubbulpore, Saugor and Khandwa but apart from this both the day and night temperatures were cooler than usual throughout the district.

Konkan.—Skies are altogether free from cloud and the quantity of moisture in the air has been in excess of normal at Karwar and defect in other places. The direction of air movement is northerly at Karwar and easterly at Bombay, Ratnagiri and Mormugao. Last night's temperature had been fairly normal at Mormugao but elsewhere weather both during day and night was warmer than usual.

Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are cloudless and the air has been slightly damper at Hyderabad and more or less dry in other places. Calms and north-easterly breezes prevail generally. Maximum temperature was 1° higher than usual at Poona but elsewhere both the day and night temperatures were from 1° to 7° cooler.

General Remarks.—Weather continues fine and settled over nearly the whole country.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorologist, Bombay.

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SPORTING NEWS.

BOMBAY HUNT.

It being Christmas Week the authorities of the Bombay Hunt were able to arrange for an extra day's sport, and a Meet was accordingly held yesterday morning at the Kennels. There were more than fifty people at the trysting place at half-past six, including three ladies—Mrs. MacCausland, Mrs. Meyer and Mrs. Priestley. The temperature was delightfully cool, with practically no wind to speak of, and the elements therefore seemed to be ideal for a really fine gallop. The home coverts hard by the new brickfields were the first to be drawn, and hounds were soon away to the right over a stretch of melon ground and over a long line of excellent rice-fields as far as Chuckla Hill. The pack breasted this hill at one of its steepest parts, but the riders were able to work round on the left, and by jumping a couple of cactus hedges sunk down into the Bomanwadi Valley in time to see the pack going great guns across this fine tract of paddy bunds. On reaching the Tulsi Main water pipe they were, however, somewhat at fault, much about in the same spot were a jackal was lost on the previous morning's hunting, but this time the check was only temporary. A whimper from one hard-working hound told us that the jackal had gone across a piece of melon ground on the far side of the pipe, and with the rest of the pack joining in the "hue and cry," the chase is continued round the left hand side of the village of Sahar, and across a fine line of riding country to the well known deep dry nullah. On go the flying pack through some pleasant grass fields fenced with stout cactus hedges, which made first class jumps for our horses, and eventually reached the famous backwater. The pack went straight across the stream, and appeared to be carrying a good head, but soon swerved to the right and re-crossed the stream at a place which was too deep for our horses to follow their exact line. Returning, therefore, by the same ford which we had a moment before found so handy, we follow the pack as best we can through a number of market gardens, which at the present time seem to be growing some fine looking vegetables, owing to the system of irrigation from the backwater being apparently remarkably successful for the purposes of cultivation, but this present day method of agriculture renders fox-hunting an impossibility over the particular area which is now used for the propagation of such necessary articles of diet. The pack cross and re-cross the backwater, and finally mark the jackal to ground in an ungetable earth on the edge of the stream. Time being well in hand, the Master decided to return to the woods near Sahar, which is so often a likely place to find a jackal. His action met with the most remarkable success yesterday morning, as the "varmint" found lurking about these woods gave us without question the finest run we have had this season. It was simply a furious gallop from start to finish, and indeed more than one veteran of the chase, in afterwards discussing the morning's sport, found it difficult to recall to memory any run of the same speed and over such country within the last ten years at least. The pack had hardly been thrown into the covert when a very loud burst of "music" let us know in no uncertain manner that the scent was particularly strong, and off go the whole pack at a furious pace in the direction of the Andheri Road. It seemed that the scent was breast high, judging by the charming echoing melody and the speed at which the hounds were travelling. The Andheri Road this time made no difference to the flying pack, and straight across they go without the slightest hesitation, and through the long mango tope on the far side. Jumping the cactus hedge out of this orchard, the magnificent stretch of rice-fields, commonly known as the Grange bunds, are immediately in front of us, and along the whole length of this strongly banked fields we gallop just as fast as our horses are able to carry us. It was steeplechase speed, or as near as it possibly could be to it. Leaving the village of old Marole to our left the hunt is continued past the old ruined church, and up hill and down dale into the pleasant grass woodlands of Goregaum. If such a thing were possible, the pace we absolutely had to go seemed to get faster and faster, in fact in the open country it was at times almost impossible for the horses to "live" with the hounds. It is not an uncommon occurrence in some of the English Shires where grass predominates for hounds to leave even the finest thoroughbred horses, but seldom indeed is this the case in Salsette, as our cramped hunting country does not as a rule lend itself to such furious galloping. At all events yesterday morning those members of the hunt who were mounted on the fastest horses certainly had the best of things, as this stout-hearted jackal seemed to prefer to keep to the open country in preference to taking to the hills, which so many of his species often do at the first opportunity. Anyhow our quarry yesterday morning held to the open woodlands almost as far as Goregaum Station before endeavouring to surmount an immense hill full of jungle. He got half way up this hill, but by this time the pack was able to reach him and were accordingly succesful in bringing a remarkably fine hunt to the orthodox finish. The jackal was noticed by everybody up at the kill to be an unusually large animal, almost as big as a sheep, in fact about twice the size of an ordinary English fox. Nobody will deny that yesterday morning's gallop was superlatively good both as regard the country ridden over and the exceptional pace one had to gallop if the pack was to be kept in sight. Such sport reflects the utmost credit on the huntsmen and the hounds, and we trust another real good day is in store for us next Thursday morning, on which date the Meet will be at Santa Cruz.

JACKAL.

BILLIARDS.

Great Exhibition by Stevenson.

Every available point of vantage, standing room included, was taken up at Pyrke's Restaurant on Monday evening when Mr. W. H. Stevenson played his first game in Bombay, giving Mr. Carnall 650 points in 1,000. The Champion gave really remarkable exhibition, his delicacy of touch and the way in which he played with the balls, finessing for position, added to a high rate of speed, was nothing short of marvellous. It was, however, a pity that Carnall was not found in better form, as, though on other occasions we have seen him put up his fifty breaks, he never got going and only scored 112 in all. He was in the unenviable position of being practically an onlooker throughout, and to sit watching one's opponent running up breaks is calculated to put any one off his game. Stevenson made the remark that it took him two years to learn to look on.

The game started just after 9-30 on as true a table as one could find, though it, of course, had that stickiness which comes from a new table and will be more easy after a little use. After a safety miss each, Carnall opened with a cannon, but breaking down let Stevenson in for a very prettily compiled break. A cannon and then potting the red gave him position to run up 50 in two minutes and nine; later he played only for the second time from balk. Getting the balls together at the top cushion he played a series of nurseries, reaching 87 in four minutes, but in getting position broke down at an in-off red. He then put on 13 leaving the red over the pocket for Carnall, who increased a six shot to 19 which his opponent followed with another 13, losing the white. Five unproductive visits were hard to the table in succession after a 25 by Stevenson. He then put on 21 and 32, losing the white again in the former and disappointingly breaking down in the latter at an easy shot after a fine long jenny. With a 22 he reached his second century and Carnall put on 17 and 12 in succession.

The break of the evening followed, Stevenson getting the balls together at the top and scoring at the rate of 41 in two minutes, 59 in three, 68 in four and only at 71 did he play a stroke from balk. Potting the red he again got position and rattled on from 86 in five minutes to 103 in six From balk again he got going with nurseries, 122 coming after seven and 134 in eight minutes. At 141 he was unfortunate in losing the white, but continued off the red, each stroke with perfect strength till at 201 after thirteen minutes, he left the red hanging over the pocket after a very difficult long jenny. It was a grand bit of play in every respect, 60 being made off the red after losing the white. Carnall lost the white and left both balls out but in bad position. Some nice long hazards resulted in Stevenson bringing the red to the white and the usual cannon and pot red gave him position. From 19 in one and 42 in two he reached 53 in three minutes and lost position, but gaining it again with a pull back of some three feet, rattled on to 102 in six minutes before he broke down at a difficult in-off red. The score now read 522 to 716. He followed with a pretty 24 all round the D and with the score at 546—718 an interval of 15 minutes was announced.

It was only then at his fourth visit that he got going again, putting up 44 by all round play. An 11 followed and then came a marvellous series of nurseries. He got the two object balls almost touching a couple of inches off the cushion, and running across and back piled on the post at a tremendous speed. In four minutes he had made 83 and reached 89 without having moved the object balls more than an inch, when his ball travelled a bit too far. His next but one visit produced the third three figure break, getting position after twice putting the red down. He kept them together till he had made 57 in four minutes, when the play was all round, till at 70 he again got going across and back at the top cushion, putting his ball the other side cleverly at the point where he had to turn to avoid the pocket. He missed a fine cannon at 120 which took eight minutes.

After a 22, six visits only realised 9, till with his score at 921 to 762 he got them together for nurseries, but failed at 63 just when he looked like going out. With a 9 and a 7 he ran out after an hour and a quarter's actual play.

Final score—

Mr Stevenson	1,000
Mr Carnall	762

The winner averaged 29·2 and the loser 3·3.

There was another interval before Mr. Stevenson played Mr. Povalla a game of "Snookers," giving him 20. Catching him at 30, the Champion eventually won by 68 to 44. He then gave a demonstration of the famous Anchor stroke, making 40, the latter part in under a second each, and looked as though he could have gone on all night. Some marvellous masse shots followed, cannons and in-offs, also going in off the red when it was in motion, actually screwing in off at right angles.

Lastly he showed two trick shots with the basket. Laying it down he placed the red in front of it with his own behind the red and the other white over the bottom pocket. Jumping the red into the basket mouth he made his ball go over the basket and cannon. He then sent his ball into the basket which swung and shot the red out.

Three cheers for the principals brought a remarkably interesting evening to a close.

On the 30th inst. in the same room Mr. Stevenson will play a game with. Mr. Young.

Mr. Stevenson has arranged the following fixtures:—Royal Bombay Yacht Club on the 4th January, Bombay Gymkhana on the 7th, Bombay Club on the 9th, leaving the next day to play at Pindi on the 13th and 14th, Lahore, Punjab Club, on the 16th, and at the United Service Club, Lucknow, on the 21st.

CALCUTTA RACES.

Fitzgrafton Wins the Viceroy's Cup.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 24.

PONY HURDLE HANDICAP.

Colonel Beaver's Little Dolly 9st 2lbs .... J Trenoweth 1
Mr Barton's Cracker 9st 12lbs .... Ferguson 2
Mr Mil s' Daphne 10st .... J M Trenoweth 3
Mr Field's Solace 11st 7lbs .... C Hoyt 4

Also ran—Lady Viola 10st 7lbs, Prob 10st 7lbs (fell) Branga 10st 3lbs, Curfew Bell 9st 7lbs, Pineal 8st 9lbs.

Betting—Evens Cracker, 3 to 1 Lady Viola and Curfew Bell, 4 to 1 Daphne, 5 to 1 Solace, Little Dolly and Pineal, 10 to 1 Prob and Branga.

The Totalisator said Rs. 100 and Rs. 29 on the winner, Rs. 18, Rs. 15, and Rs 30 for places.

The Race—Pineal lead, closely followed by Solace, with Cracker at the latter's heels and Dapne lying fourth, the rest in bunch in the rear. This order was preserved till the seven furlongs, where Pineal retired and Cracker and Solace were running level in front of Daphne, and it was here that Prob got rid of his jockey. At the half mile bend Cracker was leading from Solace with Little Dolly and Daphne closing up, and as they turned into the straight both Solace and Cracker were in difficulties. Then in front of the Members' Stand Little Dolly came with a well timed rush and won by half a length; three lengths between second and third, four lengths between third and fourth. Time—3 mins. 55secs.

Winner trained by Heywood.

THE DEALERS' PLATE.

Maharajah Jam Saheb's Matal Boy 10st .... Ames 1
Mr Coggan's Pallas 9st 2lbs .... A Hoyt 2
Mr Harper's Bridegroom 8st 9lbs .... C Hoyt 3
Mr Rodocanachi's Olive Loe 9st 2lbs .... Leach 4

Also ran—Sir Ulric 10st, Idle 9st. 4lbs, Comprimil 9st. 2lbs.

Betting—4 to 1 on Metal Boy, 6 to 1 Idle, 10 to 1 the rest.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 13 on the winner, Rs. 12 and Rs. 20 for places.

The Race.—Pallas and Bridegroom cut out the work from a good start and kept the lead till they were well in the straight, when Metal Boy came through and drawing clean away won by four and a half lengths; two and a half lengths between second and third; four lengths between third and fourth. Time—1 min. 47 1-2 secs.

Winner Trained by T Scott.

THE ECLIPSE PONY PLATE.

Mr J D Scot's Wal 9st 7lbs .... Kilborn } Dead heat.
Mr L J C Galstaun's Circus Girl 8st 6lbs .... Robinson }
Maharaja of Cooch Behar's Matin Bell 8st 12lbs .... Robbins 3
Mr Mullick's Fortune 7st 4lbs .... Ferguson 4

Also ran—First Bell 9st 10lbs, Lorette 9st 7lbs, Dreamland 9st 3lbs, Gyrtle 9st 3lbs, Bonita II 9st, Son of a Gun 8st 11lbs,

Betting,—5 to 4 Circus Girl, 6 to 4 against Matin ell, 4 to 1 Gyrtle, 6 to 1 Lorette, 10 to 1 rest.

The totalisator paid Rs. 20 on the winner, Rs. 12, Rs. 19 and Rs 13 for places.

The race.—From a beautiful start Wal held slight lead from Circus Girl and Gyrtle, with Matin Bell lying fourth. After the old Stand Gyrtle fell back and at the three furlongs Circus Girl got level with Wal and the pair raced neck and neck to the second stand where Wal seemed to be tiring but coming again he got level and made a dead heat with Circus Girl. Six lengths between the next, and four lengths between third and fourth. Time—1min. 32secs.

Winner trained by J D. Scott and Ferguson.

As Wal's owner declined to run off the dead heat Circus Girl is placed first.

THE VICEROY'S CUP.

Hon. A Apcar's Fitzgrafton 9st 3lbs .... Blades 1
Hon. A Apcar's Mallard 9ss 3lbs .... Winning 2
Mr. Charles' Steinhager 9st .... Bray 3
Jiji's Boabdil .... Southall 4

Also ran.—Ballark 9st 3lbs, Misty Morn 9st 3lbs St rabout 9st 7lbs.

Betting —at the start 6 to 4 against Fitzgrafton, twos. Stirabont, threes Boadil, fours Steinhager, sixes Mallard twelves Ballark Twenties Misty Morn

The Totalisator paid Rs. 29 on winner, Rs. 18 and Rs. 32 for places.

The Race.—They got off to a good start and swept past stand almost abreast. Stirabout and Fitzgrafton being lightly ahead of the rest. Then ere they reached the first bend Stirabout went to the front and was quickly followed by Mallard who quickly came up level with him and the pair cut out pace with Fitzgrafton, Mallard Misty Morn, Stanhager and Boabdil following in the order named. At the mile post Stirabont had drawn slightly clear of Ballark but soon the latter again tackled him and ere they reached the old stand both were cooked, and here Fitzgrafton came to front followed by Steinhager and Mallard. But at the three furlongs Steinhager gave way to Mallard; then at the Distance Boabdil made a spurt and came up level with Steinhager, but fell back again, Fitzgrafton going well came on and had the race, won long before he passed the Judges' box and secured the verdict by four and a half lengths. Eight lengths between second and third. Three lengths between third and fourth—Time 3 mins 2 2-5 secs.

Winner trained by Watson.

THE CALCUTTA PLATE.

Hon A A Apcar's Golden Gleam 9st 3lbs..... Blades 1
J B's Lovania 8st 11lbs .... Barrett 2
Jiji's Love Song 8st 11lbs .... Melsom 3
J B's Chivalry 9st 3lbs .... Southall 4

Also ran.—Amplify 9st. 3lbs, Paddy's Darling 9st. 3lbs, Sacristan 9st 3lbs.

Betting—5 to 4 against Lovania, 2½ to 1 against Paddy's Darling and Sacristan II, 2 to 1 Love Song, 4 to 1 Golden Gleam and Amplify, 6 to 1 Chivalry.

Totalisator paid Rs. 300 and Rs 36 on winner, Rs 92 and Rs. 29 on places.

The Race.—Chivalry held a slight lead from Golden, Gleam for the first furlong; then Golden Gleam drew level and the pair raced abreast till at the three furlongs Chivalry gave way to Lovania and coming round the home turn Golden Gleam held a clear lead from Lovania, while Love Song was abreast of Chivalry. Golden Gleam well ridden won by two and a half lengths. Three-quarters of a length between second and third; a head between third and fourth. Time—1 min. 15 1-5 secs.

Winner trained by Watson.

[Further parts of the above message were not received till the time of going to press.]

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Norfolk, 2,506 tons, Captain J H Bovey, sailed on Tuesday for Calcutta, in ballast.

THE steamer Bahadur, 2,936 tons, Captain H Elliot, will sail to-day for Calcutta, in ballast.

THE R I M S Palinurus, Commander C S Hick

THE LADIES' CORNER.

HAIR DRESSED IN SECOND EMPIRE STYLE.

Naturally enough, with the return of the fashions of the Second Empire, which are almost keeping pace with those of the first Napoleon, quite a number of women have adopted the genuine Eugenie coiffure, with one long lovelock, supported by two short ringlets, falling on the neck from behind the ear. This requires a great deal of hair to work upon, some of which is piled on the top of the head, and some on the nape of the neck, to hide the spring of the hanging ringlets, the effect of these being to define very clearly the soft contour of the cheek and jaw. Clusters of feathers are still worn extensively as coiffure decoration, an unadorned head being, apparently, almost an anachronism nowadays, while strands of shot green and silver, and pink and silver ribbon, powdered with a blurred design of tiny pink or mauve roses, are threaded in and out of the posticches and tied in a large wide bow at the back. Skeleton flowers, fashioned in gold thread, and representing little more than an outline, are likewise to be seen, and are nearly always repeated as corsage bunches to correspond with those in the hair.

CREAM TULLE GOWN IN TUNIC FORM.

As regards evening frocks, of which some exquisite example are being turned out for winter parties and dances, the two unwritten laws which rule the choice of every woman who aspires to be well dressed nowadays are simplicity of line and complexity of embroidery. For instance, a long tunic of old ivory tulle, with a few *motifs broches* on the tulle itself, in silk of the same tone, forms the basis of a charming gown which is very typical of the styles of the moment. The tunic spreads out wide and long behind, forming the train, while in front it reveals an underskirt of the same tulle trimmed with two wide bands of embroidered galon, the corsage, which is cut with a square decolletage, being worked in a rich and solid design carried out in cream silk and sparkling topazes, the gleaming amber shade of the stones providing a lovely note of colour. A short loose sleeve, with no complication of drapery, gives the finishing touch. As a matter of fact, mock topazes—both pink and yellow—have entered the lists with amethysts, and show unmistakable signs of becoming almost as popular as the latter; while in some instances a combination of the two gems produces a capital effect where embroideries are concerned.

NEW STYLES FOR EVENING WEAR.

Another pretty and attractive method of treating the bell gown up-to-date is to outline the decolletage with a garland of tiny bouquets of flowers in a variety of shades, ranging from pink to purple, the flowers being fashioned in the new style, viz., of the thinnest metal, with an effect of copper, silver, or gold, according to the colour of the gown with which they are for the moment blended. The short hanging sleeves of gauge or chiffon are, besides, frequently headed with garlands of the same description, suspended in the form of festoons or looped among the folds with the careless grace and apparent absence of any stereotyped design which is characteristic of work of a clever Frenchwoman.

WHITE CREPE DE CHINE AND SILVER.

Crepe de Chine forms some dainty evening frocks, though never of the most habillee description. The material lends itself best to the simple class of gown for quiet evenings, a charming example carried out in pure white crepe being out very plainly, the Empire lines showing every curve of the figure. The waist was high, and defined by a narrow line of embroidery, the corsage being crossed over the bust, while the gown boasted a fairly long train, and was finished round the edge of the skirt with a vide band of embroidery, showing the Greek key pattern, broken and mixed with conventional arabesques and pines, all carried out in fine silver beads. In the middle of the front and at the sides the design of embroidery ran up the skirt well above the knees, the train being, however, only distinguished by its rich, wide border of leaves and arabesques. The loose plain sleeves were fashioned like minute capes, while, in the middle of the front, the crossed drapery of the corsage left visible a fine drawn guimpe of tulle embroidered in a simple narrow design. The effect of the embroidery was heightened by the use of white satin as the foundation of all the motifs, the weight being borne by the satin, which was introduced as the centres of leaves and pines.

A CORRESPONDENT of the "Express," travelling to New York, heard, in the library of the liner, two American gentlemen discussing the "tipping" system in England. One gave his experience to show to what an extraordinary extent the system was carried on. He said an English friend of his invited him to see the House of Commons. The friend sent in his card to a member, who came out, and showed them all there was to be seen. At the same time the reminded the American that, contrary to the custom in the States, members of Parliament were not paid. After they had left the House his friend said: "You noticed that he drew attention to the fact that members of Parliament were unpaid," and asked whether he knew why he did so. The American said, "No," and the friend said, "Well, he was spelling for a tip."

ANAEMIA INCREASING.

BILE BEANS ARREST AND CURE THIS DANGEROUS DISEASE.

It is a deplorable fact that anæmia is undoubtedly on the increase. In the streets of our busy towns—even in the country centres it is the rule rather than the exception to see girls whose pale cheeks are tinged with a sickly yellow or green instead of the rosy hue of health. Anæmia is blood poverty and unless the blood is enriched there is but one inevitable result—ruined health. Bile Beans are the ideal remedy for anæmia with all its alarming symptoms. They cleanse and invigorate the digestive organs, filling the blood with rich red corpuscles and bringing health and vigour to pallid faces and weary limbs.

Miss Alice Gray of 72, Great Guildford Street, London, says:—"As a result of anæmia and indigestion my face lost all its colour, my lips were white and I became very much depressed. One night I was taken ill in the street and had to be removed to the hospital. I attended two great hospitals for a long time but got no better. I read of Bile Beans and sent for some. The improvement was almost immediate. I persevered with Bile Beans and am completely cured. Bile Beans alone have worked the change."

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BY THE WAY.

A LIVINGSTONE ANNIVERSARY.

Recently Cambridge celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the lecture delivered by Dr. David Livingstone in the Senate House from which resulted the Universities' Mission to Central Africa. A few are still living who can speak at first hand of the power of Dr. Livingstone's oratory and personality over the great audience which crowded the Senate House on the afternoon of the 4th of December, 1857, and of the thrill which followed his final appeal: "I go back to Africa to try to make an open path for commerce and Christianity; do you carry out the work which I have begun. I leave it with you."

THE NATAL MILITIA.

Military service has been compulsory in Natal for some years, and the standing army of the Garden Colony (or the Bear-Garden Colony, as it has been facetiously named, on account of its unfortunate little wars) now includes most of the Volunteer regiments who rendered invaluable service in the last Boer war the Natal Carbineers, the Durban Light Infantry, the Border Mounted Rifles, and the Naval Brigade. Colonel Sir Duncan Mackenzie, in command, is the dashing cavalry officer who with Lord Dundonald relieved Ladysmith. Three times within the last nine years have the citizen-soldiers of Natal been in the field, to the detriment of business and home-life.

CINDERELLA STILL LEADS.

Once more Cinderella appears to have made good her title to the first place among the pantomimes, a proud position, to which she must be well accustomed by this time, for within the last sixteen years she has been the first favourite no fewer than six times, while twice she has shared the honour with a rival. And, in spite of her eternal youthfulness, she has a very venerable antiquity to support her claims. It is said that Cinderella was a prime favourite with the Egyptians in the days of the Pharaohs; and, however this may be, there is no doubt that she flourished many a century in the East before the Briton made her charming acquaintance. There are about 500 variants of her story, 345 of which have been collected and tabulated by the British Folk Lore Society; and in one or other of them Cinderella has captured hearts almost the whole world over.

NESCIENCE A LA MODE.

The most impressive among the latest displays of experts' ignorance in Mr. Plowden's court during the Druce inquiry is evidently as much a plagiarism from Theodore Hook's friend, the elder Mathews, as to the artist in *Punch* a gorgeous sunset seemed a decided crib from Turner. "Clapham," soliloquised one of the Marylebone pundits "who can tell me where that is? I don't quite know." This was said only the other day. But just three-quarters of a century before that Mathews parried an invitation, as he thought, too patronisingly given, to dine in Russell-square, with "But tell me, where do we change horses?"

CEDARS AS ROYAL MEMORIAL TREES.

Some searching of heart has naturally arisen among patriotic tree-lovers who noticed that the trees planted by King Edward during his recent visits—notably at Ingestre and Alton Towers—were not British oaks, as required by precedent, but alien cedars. The cedar selected for the Royal memorial was not the majestic Lebanon variety—about the timber of which the Kew authorities disagree with King Solomon—nor the Indian cedar "Cedrus Deodara," but "C. Atlantica," which came to us from Mount Atlas. This tree much resembles the familiar cedar of Lebanon, and when young can hardly be distinguished by amateur foresters. Cedars are now apparently preferred to oaks for Royal memorial planting because they grow more rapidly.

THE "LEBAUDY" AIRSHIPS.

The "Patrie," the French airship, which has taken "French leave," is generally referred to as the "Lebaudy" airship; but the announcement that the French War Office has requested M. Joliot [? Julliot] to construct two airships on the lines of the 'Patrie'" is a reminder that although the wealthy brothers Lebaudy have given the necessary financial backing, the airship itself is the creation of M. Julliot, a clever engineer, and M. Juchmes, an experienced aeronaut. Last July the "Patrie" gave a marvellous exhibition of its steerability in the vicinity of Paris, on more than one occasion making a circuit of the city; and as a result of this successful demonstration, the culmination of more than 100 equally successful during the previous two years, the French War Office purchased the invention.

SOUTH POLAR EXPEDITIONS

So far as known, only one European exploring expedition—that under Mr. E. H. Shackleton—will enter the South Polar regions during the coming Antarctic summer. The despatch of another expedition, however, next year is, the "Scotsman" states, practically assured by the grant of £24,000 voted by the French Parliament to Dr. Jean Charcot. Dr. Charcot will seek to make his way westwards from Graham Land, which lies to the south of Cape Horn, round in the direction of King Edward Seventh Land, and in the course of the voyage hopes to carry out excursions which will take him far south towards the Pole. Like Mr. Shackleton, he proposes to test the merits of automobiles for purposes of South Polar exploration.

DOCTORS AND LIQUOR.

Dr. R. H. Blaikie, of Edinburgh, has been giving a number of interesting figures regarding the use of alcohol by doctors. He is, he says, quite sure that among the medical profession their faith in the use of alcohol as a beneficial drug is being shaken. He remembered when he was a student in the Royal Infirmary, for pneumonia it was simply brandy and plenty of it, and the mortality was very high, much higher than he had found it in his own experience; and he believed, in looking back on these cases they were simply poisoned by the amount of the whisky or brandy that was given them. In the Royal Infirmary in 1840 there were 3,800 patients, and £672 was spent in alcohol. That worked out at about 43s. 7d. per occupied bed per annum. Last year, 1906, the number of patients was 11,000, and the total sum expended on alcohol was £194, which worked out at 4s. 7½d. per occupied bed.

LONDON HOSPITALS AND OTHERS.

With regard to London hospitals, Dr. Blaikie pointed out that the seven leading ones in 1862 spent over £8,000 on alcohol, whereas in 1902 the sum was only £2,900. At Salisbury Infirmary in 1865 the amount spent was £302; in 1895, £95; and in 1905 £18. In Wandsworth Infirmary in 1875, with 1,400 patiens they spent £371 on alcohol; ten years late they had 1,000 more patients, and they spent only £53; in 1895 they had 1,000 patients more and they spent only £23 19s. 2d.; and in 1905, with patients numbering 5,450, the total sum spent on alcohol was £2 7s. 5d. Lastly the London County Asylums' statistics showed that during sixteen years the number of patients had more than doubled, and the amount of wine and spirits consumed had dropped from 15,000 to 2,000 pints, and beer from 225,000 gallons to 1,200 gallons. These statistics he thought, showed what medical men where doing.

A VETERAN CLIMBER.

Abbe Gorret, who has just died at a ripe age, was a veteran Alpinist whose name figures in most of the records of early mountain climbs. He was concerned with Jean-Jacques and Jean-Antoine Carrel in the first attempt on the Matterhorn, in 1857. The party reached the Tete du Lion, but could get no further; and on their return they were freely told that they were madmen, and that the Matterhorn was "only for the English." It was, in fact, an English party, led by Mr. Whymper, that accomplished the first ascent, starting from Zermatt; but it was a neck-to-neck race, and the first ascent by Italians from Breuil and the first ascent by Italians from Breuil was achieved immediately afterwards. Abbe Gorret was a member of that party too, but he did not get quite to the summit.

THE authorities of Swarthmore College, Pennsylvania, have declined a gift of £600,000, offered on condition that the students should not play football. Swarthmore College is a Quaker institution, and the bequest was made by the late Mrs. Anna Jeanes, who belonged to the Society of Friends. The students of the college, who have a record in inter-collegiate sport of which they are very proud, protested strongly against the acceptance of the legacy.

BOOKS AND BOOKMEN.

A STUDY OF NAPOLEON.

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CORRECTIONS.

Another limitation of the author the translator endeavours to correct in an occasional note. This is a mild form of the Anglophobia such as is unluckily too common in Germany, and perhaps natural in a biographer of Bismarck. But English statesmen were not longheaded enough to attack the French Republic "because it was making France a great Power," believing as all but Burke did believe, that she was in a state of anarchy and would fall an easy prey to the alliance against her. And an account of the bombardment of Copenhagen which leaves out any reference to the danger which the Danish fleet might have done to the cause of European freedom had it fallen, as it would, into Napoleon's hands, cannot be considered as impartial or candid. No one would justify nowadays the bombardment of the city but the seizure of the fleet though a strong step was a necessary measure to a country fighting for its life against the despot of more than half Europe. There are some good portraits and a clear but not very accurate map. If we have dwelt at some length on mere blemishes of detail, it is because we think so well of the book as a while that in recommending it cordially to the general reader we also wish to add a word of warning as to what seem to us the doubtful aspects of the author's standpoint and execution.

FROM LEH TO PEKIN.

Under the rather dramatic title in the Footsteps of Marco Polo, Major Bruce has written an exceedingly entertaining account of his overland journey from Leh to Pekin. His route was one which, except for definite purposes of exploration, few travellers would choose. It offers little prospect of adventure and every certainty of privation and fatigue. Major Bruce, however, appears to love travel for travel's sake, and he is interested in human nature. The first stage of his journey was across the bleak uninhabited plateau of Northern Tibet and over the Kwen Lun mountains into the much lower but hardly more hospitable region of Chinese Turkestan. Every reader of Central Asian travel knows the main outlines of this part of the story—the incessant struggles with the icy gales which blow every day and all day on the roof of the world, the gradual dropping out of exhausted animals, the long privation from all the comforts and most of the necessities of life. After a short stay at Polu the party struck east for China across the desert of Chinese Turkestan. The route goes by the small and scattered oases which are found at various points where valleys open north from the Kwen Lun. Major Bruce, like all travellers, was struck by the sudden transition from desert to cultivation "across a line almost as marked as a park fency. The gorges of the Kwen Lun are rich in gold, and in miserable hamlets gold was being worked by the most primitive methods. Chakalik, a small oasis on which many routes converge, is the place where, in a sense East and West meet. "Hitherto at each oasis and town, according to local opinion, we had appeared to be widening the distance between ourselves and the centre of civilisation, which to them meant first Khotan and then Yarkand. At Chakalik, on the contrary, the Amban's thoughs and conversation were always of Urumtsi and the north, or of China." From Chakalik the travellers struck off once more across the desert towards Sachu, the westernmost outpost of China towards Chinese Turkestan. Major Bruce is always delightful when he writes of his intercourse with the officials of the various settlements, and at Sachu he has a story to tell against himself. The rations of saccharin had long given out, and the want was a very serious one in so scanty a diet. Left alone for a moment on an official visit, the craving for sugar proved irresistible, and Major Bruce began to pocket a few lumps in addition to the many he had eaten. On leaving his host smilingly presented him with a quantity to take away, having seen through the paper partitions what was happening. The accounts of the various Chinese officials are very attractive, and bear out the author's view that "with a few local exceptions, Chinese officials remote from the capital are not only expecting the coming of Western ideas and practice, but are eager and anxious that they should come." The journey east was continued across the provinces of Kansu and Shansi. Much of this region is rich in coal and iron, and has doubtless a great industrial future before it. Unlike many travellers, Major Bruce has a good deal to say in defence of the part played by missionaries in China when they have been men of culture and intelligence. It is interesting to find that, in spite of what has been written by others of the awakening of a military spirit in China and of the rapid increase of efficiency in the Chinese army; Major Bruce, who has had practical experience in training and leading Chinese soldiers, expresses himself as doubtful on the point. He agrees that, trained and led by Europeans, the Chinese would make the finest soldiers in the world, but he thinks that they will not be successfully trained and led by Chinese officers "within a period which practical politics need take heed of." A good map makes it possible to follow the route clearly, and there are some excellent illustrations.

INDIAN JOTTINGS.

Under the title of Indian Jottings Father Edward F. Elwin, of the Society of St. John the Evangelist at Cowley, near Oxford, purports to record no startling events, but merely the ordinary life and surroundings of the mission-worker in India, as viewed during a ten years association with the Poona City Mission. With this warning definitely conveyed in the preface, the reader sets out with little expectation of enlightenment upon the important aspects of the Indian problem, and he is not disappointed. Here and there, however, there are seems to be scratched up in the farmyard, and the following passage on page 40 puts in a nutshell one of the main causes which are at the bottom of so much of the unrest: "One of the Mission lads, neatly dressed as an Indian in his "dhota," going into a railway office to ask for work, was roughly ordered out to sit in the verandah. A few weeks afterwards, borrowing from a Goanese friend an English rig-out, he went again to the same office, and the same official, not recognising him, but solely on account of his dress, asked him politely to take a chair." No less, significant is the story told on the preceding page of another Mission pupil of very humble origin, who acquired an excellent knowledge of English at the school and obtained employment in a Government office, where he "advanced rapidly," but only after he had put on complete English attire, dropped his Indian name, and called himself Mr. J. Stewart." Yet, having thus opened the Englishman's eyes a little, Father Elwin invites him, a hundred pages later, express his horror at the existence in Poona city, "and no doubt in other places also," of young men who are "bitterly opposed to everything which has to do with British rule." His ten years in India have not, it would seem, taught Father Elwin that there can be no smoke without a fire.

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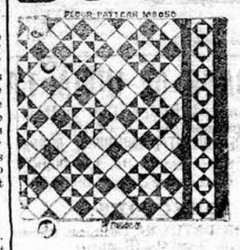
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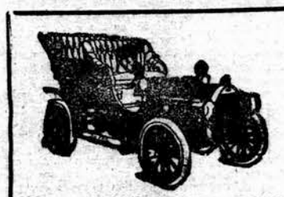

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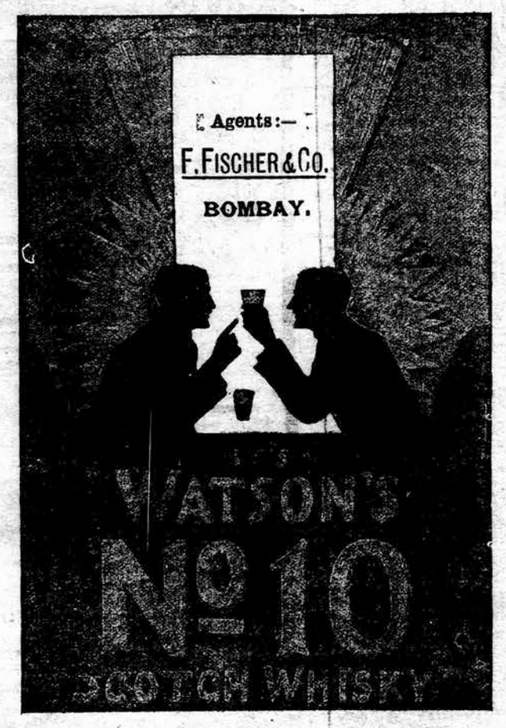

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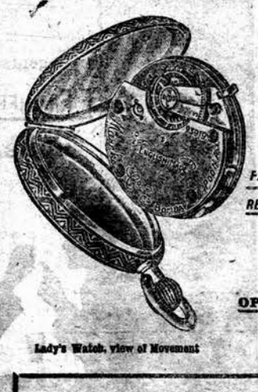

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